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## NEWS SUMMARY

**GENERAL**

### London Tube strike threat

London Transport faces a complete shutdown of its Tube services from June 18 if its 9.5 per cent pay offer to about 10,000 Underground workers is not improved.

The National Union of Railwaymen executive instructed its 15,000 Tube members to take action after pay talks failed to produce a new offer. The train drivers' union, ASLEF, which represents about 2,200 Tube members, and the White-collar union, FSSA, with 3,000, will meet on Monday and Friday to discuss their positions. Back Page, News Analysis, Page 4

**D'Neill rebuked**

Sumphrey Atkins, Ulster Secretary, has rebuked Sir P. O'Neill, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, following his claim that the sale by the U.S. of weapons to the Royal Ulster Constabulary would be viewed by many Americans as Government support "for a particular action in Northern Ireland." Page 26

**Hostages freed**

Left-wing militants in San Salvador ended their occupation of the French and Venezuelan embassies and freed their hostages. The militants were expected to fly to Panama.

**Lockheed guilty**

Lockheed Corporation admitted paying nearly \$2m to Japanese officials to promote sales of its aircraft and was fined \$447,000 in a Washington court.

**V soccer offer**

Armchair football fans will continue to get their regular weekend soccer after League chairman did an about turn, accepting the £10m joint BBC-TV offer which they rejected as insufficient in March. Page 28

**Hope goes home**

Hope John Paul flies into Warsaw today for the start of a 10-day visit which is expected to reinforce the power of the church in his native Poland and demonstrate the continuing strength of Christian faith in a communist country. Pages 2 and 19

**DC-10s cleared**

The UK Civil Aviation Authority has declared safe DC-10 jets, used by British airlines after meeting representatives of British Caledonian, Aer Lingus and British Airways. Back Page

**Drug killing**

passenger, furious after sitting more than an hour in a car queue for petrol, shot and a driver who pulled in on him at a Brooklyn, New York, service station.

**Refugee flood**

Thailand security forces towed vessels carrying more than 300 Vietnamese boat people to sea as a top Thai official warned that more than a million Indochinese refugees would arrive there next month.

**riefly**

ial in Manila of 14 Roman Catholic nuns on sedition charges was postponed when the judges could not get control to drive to court.

ustralian Narcotics Bureau chief resigned after claims that formation from a Government minister had been sold to an international drug ring.

Partridge, author of Usage and Abuse, died aged 85.

ne-year-old boy who vanished on his home in Scotland with his 15p turned up at his grandfather's home in Belfast.

## French and Germans oppose U.S. oil imports subsidy

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

France and West Germany miffed yesterday in strong opposition to the subsidy placed by the U.S. on heating oil imports. Chancellor Helmut Schmidt is to take the issue up with President Jimmy Carter next week.

Herr Schmidt and M. Raymond Barre, the French Prime Minister, reached an agreement on their opposing the U.S. move at a meeting in Bonn.

The 20-nation International Energy Agency last night was considering a special session during the week to discuss the U.S. oil imports.

Herr Schmidt will be preceded in Washington by M. Jean Francois-Poncet, the French Foreign Minister, who is expected to sound out Mr. Carter and Mr. Cyrus Vance, the U.S. Secretary of State, on French proposals to stop the Western countries outbidding each other for scarce oil supplies.

M. Andre Giraud, the French Industry Minister and chairman of the EEC Council of Energy Ministers, also plans to lodge a firm protest against the U.S. decision during his visit to Washington in the coming week.

In Paris Mr. Charles Schultze, chairman of Mr. Carter's Council of Economic Advisers, defended the U.S. measures.

They did not constitute a subsidy but rather an equalisation payment to make up the difference between the price of domestic and imported oil, he told the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Develop-

ment economic policy meeting. There was no intention by the U.S. to divert oil from Europe, he said.

The subsidy is regarded as allowing an increased share of available oil to go to U.S. consumers at the expense of other countries.

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## Energy Minister urges saving by Government

BY LISA WOOD

CUTS MAY have to be made in some of the less essential services provided by central and local government and nationalised industries in a bid to save more energy, Mr. David Howell, the Energy Secretary, said yesterday.

The Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Authority announced yesterday that petrol shortages could result in bus services being cut. The authority has appealed to the Department of Energy for help in replenishing depleted stocks.

Other major transport authorities such as the National Bus Company, which includes 30 bus companies and five coach operators throughout the country, said yesterday that they were not facing severe shortages although National Bus has had localised shortages. It has remedied these by moving supplies between operators.

British Airways is not encountering shortages within the UK but problems have arisen in the U.S. and India where flights have had to be re-routed

## Car sales reach record level

BY KENNETH GOODING, MOTOR INDUSTRY CORRESPONDENT

NEW CAR sales in Britain reached record levels in May but imports accounted for 56 per cent of the market.

BL did a little better than in April, with 19 per cent of the market, while Ford slipped a little to take 29.6 per cent.

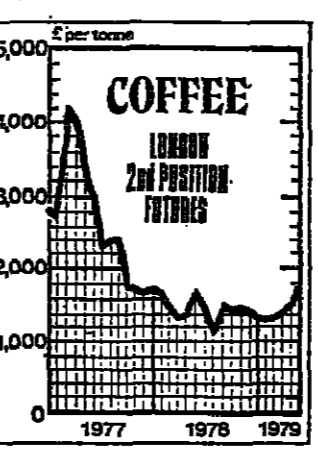
Ford continued to import the majority of its cars to maintain its share. In May, around 54 per cent of the 52,244 Fords registered were "captive" imports which represented 16 per cent of the total market.

Figures showed that towards the end of May about 175,000 cars had been registered, a 34 per cent increase on the same month last year and 30 per cent above the previous peak reached in 1973.

As a result, registrations for the first five months of 1979 also set a record. At around \$14,000, they were 5 per cent ahead of the 1973 total for the same period.

The statistics have convinced some analysts that registrations might well reach 1.65m this year, not quite at the 1973 record level.

One of the main reasons car sales have been so buoyant has been Ford's determination to catch up on deliveries lost during the autumn's nine-week strike.



COFFEE London 2nd Position Futures

## Coffee prices shoot up

By John Edwards, Commodities Editor

FEARS of frost damage to the coffee crop in Brazil, the world's biggest producer, brought a surge in prices on the London and New York futures market yesterday.

Temperatures were reported to have dropped below freezing point in Minas Gerais, the Brazilian state to which coffee plantings were switched after devastation of the Paraná crop in 1975.

Earlier this week there were reports of some frost damage in Paraná, but the latest news suggests that the cold weather has attacked areas normally free from frost.

London traders said yesterday that the extent of frost damage is not yet known, and that it might take some time before a proper assessment could be made.

The crop now being harvested is not affected. It is the crop to be harvested a year from now, and possibly in future years, that is vulnerable.

At one stage in London the January position on the futures market jumped by over £300 a tonne from £1,530 to £1,855 before closing at just below £1,800 on profit taking. The September position gained £208 to £1,748.5 a tonne.

Brazil normally produces about a third of the world's crop. The shortage from the 1975 frost boosted prices from \$400 to \$4,000 a tonne in two years.

Retail prices should not be affected at this stage. If serious frost damage is confirmed, coffee producers would obviously hold out for higher prices, though adequate supplies are available at present.

The Brazilian crop will not be free of frost fears until mid-August.

## Coal may rise

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

The price of coal is likely to rise in the near future, as the National Coal Board seeks to cut down on its mounting operating losses by increasing its tariffs in line with rising oil prices.

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## Nigeria halts UK tenders over Rhodesia

BY MARTIN DICKSON

NIGERIA has indicated that it will not consider tenders by British companies for some major government contracts until the UK government clarifies its Rhodesia policy.

The move is a clear warning to Britain against lifting sanctions on Rhodesia.

Lagos does not appear to have spelled out which tenders might be affected. But a British construction consortium, comprising Costain, Balfour Beatty and Cementation International, has already been told that it has been dropped from the short-list of tenders for a major port development project at Onne, in Eastern Nigeria—at least until the British position on Rhodesia is clear.

It is thought that at least one other British tender in the construction field may be affected by the Nigerian decision.

Nigeria made clear several weeks ago that it would strongly oppose any attempt by Britain or the U.S. to lift sanctions and recognise the new Muzorewa Government in Salisbury. It said that this would be regarded as a direct challenge to black Africa and it would be met with an "appropriate response."

The new Nigerian move seems to be a stronger warning shot across the bows of the Conservative Government which, Lagos fears, favours a form of creeping support for the Muzorewa administration.

Tougher measures by Nigeria could have a severe impact on British exports. The country is now the UK's leading market outside Western Europe and North America. In both 1977 and 1978 British exports to Nigeria topped \$1bn.

There was speculation last night that Nigeria might have

## Brezhnev summit hopes

BY PAUL LENDVAI IN BUDAPEST

SOVIET PRESIDENT Leonid Brezhnev said yesterday he hoped the forthcoming summit in Vienna with President Jimmy Carter would promote Soviet-U.S. relations and also improve the entire international atmosphere.

In a speech on Hungarian radio and TV he also warned that China represented a serious danger to peace.

Winding up three days of talks with Hungarian leaders in Budapest, President Brezhnev said the Soviet Union was going to Vienna "fully prepared for an active and constructive dialogue." He hoped the American side would also take a similar approach.

The Soviet leader accused China of not missing a single opportunity to harm detente through its deeds and words.

Nevertheless the Soviet Union was ready at any time to reach an agreement on normalising relations. If the Chinese side showed goodwill, a Soviet response would be forthcoming.

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OVERSEAS NEWS

Energy chiefs to see Yamani

BY GILES MERRITT IN BRUSSELS

DR. GUIDO BRUNNER, the EEC Energy Commissioner, and M. Andre Giraud, the French Minister who is also president of the EEC Energy Council, are to meet with Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi Arabian Oil Minister to discuss long-term oil supply questions.

but it is expected it will come in between the June 21-22 European Council, when EEC Heads of Government meet in Strasbourg, and the June 27-28 Tokyo summit between the U.S., Japan, France, West Germany, the UK, Italy, and Canada.

market between February and September 1978. Commission officials believe that at that time the study scheme inhibited price rises in Rotterdam, and hope the tougher programme now introduced will exert a "psychological pressure" on spot prices.

Klynweld - Kraayenhof, and a weekly report on market conditions will then be made to each company involved. The EEC Commission will get a detailed monthly report on the spot market.

Election row over Rome loan proposals

By Rupert Cornwell in Rome

PLANS OF the Communist administered city of Rome to raise a \$400m loan under the auspices of leading U.S. investment banks have sparked off sharp political controversy even over the general elections.

Warsaw puts out the flags to welcome the Pope

BY ANTHONY ROBINSON IN WARSAW

POLAND'S MOST famous son, Pope John Paul II, flies into Warsaw today for the start of a 10-day Papal visit which is expected to reinforce the power of the church in Poland and demonstrate the continuing strength of Christian faith under a Communist administration.

industrial heartland of Silesia but they have finally agreed to lay on 17 long distance trains and 2,000 charter buses. Right up to the very last minute the authorities have hedged on the key question of television coverage.

of meat and other consumer goods and western-style inflation have not helped the Government's popularity. During the Pope's visit the Communist Party is expected to raise a very low profile. Party activists in Warsaw have been instructed to report to their work places this weekend and if they go as unbelievers to any of the ceremonies they have been told to kneel like anyone else.

Japan GNP up by 5.5%

By Charles Smith, Far East Editor

JAPAN'S Gross National Product grew by 5.5 per cent in the 1978 fiscal year (ending last March 31), the Government announced yesterday.

This was 0.5 per cent less than the revised growth forecast adopted in December, 1978, and 1.5 per cent below the original 7.0 per cent target for the year (adopted in December, 1977, in response to pressure from the U.S. for the adoption of growth oriented economic policies by Japan).

The shortfall on both the original and revised growth targets, however, is no longer being treated as a matter of great concern by either Japan or (apparently) the U.S. One reason for this is that Japan's domestic economy grew substantially faster than GNP as a whole last year, with the overall growth rate being pulled back by a negative contribution from the external sector (reflecting a decline in the current account surplus measured in yen terms).

Second, the economy has shown signs of reviving quite strongly during the past few months with the result that 1978 performance is now regarded as a matter of somewhat academic interest.

In the first quarter of the 1979 calendar year (which was also the last quarter of fiscal year 1978) the GNP registered real growth of 1.5 per cent (from the previous quarter), a rate which would produce an annual growth of 7.4 per cent if continued over a whole year. Since the Government's growth forecast for fiscal year 1979 is 6.3 per cent, the first quarter GNP statistics can be taken to indicate that economic performance is well on target.

Current concern about the Japanese economy focusses not on the rate of recovery of domestic demand, which is now felt to be fully adequate, but on recent increases in wholesale prices and on the danger that a further rise in crude oil prices could stimulate inflation. Because of these fears, Japan raised its discount rate by 0.75 per cent in April (the first rise in over three years). The Government also decided not to concentrate public works expenditure allocated in the 1979 Budget into the first half of the fiscal year as it has done in the past.

Factors contributing to a revival of domestic demand in the first quarter of 1979 included the rebuilding of inventories, (up 49.5 per cent over the October-December quarter of 1978); a modest rise in private capital investment (up 5.7 per cent); and a small recovery in final consumption (up 1.7 per cent but contributing just over half of total domestic demand).

Officials at the Economic Planning Agency expect private capital investment to recover more strongly later this year,

Discouraging forecast for UK

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

BRITAIN'S ECONOMIC decline is closely interrelated with the longstanding British hostility to moves for European economic integration. This is the principal message contained in a valedictory despatch by Sir Nicholas Henderson penned in March as he ended his term as British ambassador in Paris and published in this week's Economist.



Sir Nicholas Henderson

After serving as ambassador to West Germany and France Sir Nicholas retired from the Foreign Office but was last month appointed as ambassador to Washington in succession to Mr. Peter Jay.

Sir Nicholas says that Britain is not only no longer a world power but is also not even in the first rank even as a European one. "The prognosis for the foreseeable future is discouraging," he adds. "If present

trends continue we will have been overtaken in GDP per head by Italy and Spain well before the end of the century."

Iraq denies 'troops at border'

BY IHSAN HIJAZI IN BEIRUT

IRAQ HAS issued a denial of reports that Iraqi troops have been massed near the Iranian border opposite Khorramshahr, which has been the scene of fighting between Arab nationalists and Iranian militiamen and troops.

The denial, by the state-controlled Baghdad Radio, came as the Khorramshahr events are becoming both an embarrassment to Arab supporters of the regime of Ayatollah Khomeini and a potential threat to stronger co-operation between the Arabs and Iran in the Gulf region.

The Arab media from here to Saudi Arabia has deliberately avoided comment on the clashes. It is understood that Palestinian guerrilla leader, Yasser Arafat,

has sent instructions to Mr. Hani Al Huseini to head the PLO office in Tehran, to use his good offices and make every possible effort to check any deterioration in Arab-Iranian relations.

But knowledgeable Palestinians do not believe the Khorramshahr riots will have a serious impact on co-operation between the PLO and Ayatollah Khomeini.

Political analysts expressed concern that the development may revive old rivalries especially between Iraq and Iran which existed during the reign of the Shah.

They referred to a quick denial made yesterday by Mr. Ibrahim Yazdi, Iranian Foreign Minister, of speculations that

capital projects. He also cites trade union structure and poor labour relations as contributory factors in the decline.

Sir Nicholas argues that "we continued for too long to try and play a world role and failed to cut our coat according to our cloth," which meant that Britain was over extended financially.

The long established practice of subsidising the force of economic co-operation and seeming to counter it meant that Britain was unable to fashion the Treaty of Rome to suit British interests.

Despite the pessimistic tone of much of Sir Nicholas's document, he sees some hope for the future. He suggests a change towards more positive policies towards Europe, a government effort to make British people aware of how far Britain's economy and living standards have fallen behind our neighbours, and the stimulation of "a sense of national purpose, of something akin to what has inspired the French and Germans over the past 25 years."

Italy indeed claimed this week that a deficit of L5,000bn (L25bn) inherited from the Christian Democrats had been eradicated and that the latest municipal budget, presented in balance, had allowed detailed negotiations with the American bankers to take place.

The right however rejects any suggestion that Rome is proof of peculiar Communist success in running local finances. It attributes what improvement there has been to a reforming local authority financing approved recently by central government.

Assuming satisfactory terms can be agreed between the city authorities and the U.S. banks, approval is still required from the Italian Treasury and the Bank of Italy. The new funds, it is said, are to be devoted to the development of the capital's underground system.

However the history of the second branch of the network, due to go into service this autumn no less than 20 years after initial Parliamentary approval, at three times the originally budgeted cost, offers the example of the pitfalls which may be ahead.

Italy set to go to the polls

ITALY'S general election campaign closed last night, as voters prepare to go to the polls from tomorrow until Monday lunchtime in what is the eighth post-war Parliamentary election for the present constitution.

The electorate of 42m, which includes more than 2.5m first-time voters who have attained the age of 18 since the last general election in June 1978, will determine the distribution of the 630 seats in the Chamber of Deputies. The 315 Senate seats in the Upper House will be determined by the votes of 36.5m voters over the age of 25.

For some parts of Italy, this Sunday is the first of three successive weekends in which people will be called upon to vote. Next Sunday, June 10, an electorate swollen by a further 474,000 Italians eligible to go to the polls elsewhere in the community will have the right to vote in the first-ever direct elections for the European Parliament.

The following weekend Sardinia will be choosing a new regional Government, while voters in Venice will participate in a referendum on whether to split into two separate administrative units, the historic lagoon city and the industrialised mainland zone of Mestre.

U.S. quotas on Chinese textiles

BY JUREK MARTIN, U.S. EDITOR, IN WASHINGTON

THE United States has imposed quotas on the import of textile goods from China, after the failure of this week's bilateral talks in seeking to produce an agreement on voluntary trade restraint.

As part of an understanding with the domestic textile industry, designed to help the chances of congressional approval of the multinational trade agreement, the Carter Administration had promised to negotiate some form of limitation on China's burgeoning sales to this country.

U.S. textile spokesmen said they were satisfied with the decision to enforce quotas, and thereby protect the ailing domestic sector.

Mr. Robert Strauss, the trade representative who has been negotiating with the Chinese, is based in Peking. He said the failure to conclude a voluntary arrangement should not be construed as a setback to American-Chinese relations. He has contended that the discussions were amicable and will, in

any case, resume in the not-too-distant future.

The Chinese goods covered are cotton work clothes, cotton blouses, men's and boy's cotton shirts, cotton trousers, and synthetic fibre sweaters.

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\$647,000 in a Washington court. Ruter reports from Washington.

The company pleaded guilty to wire fraud and making false statements to the Government to conceal payments it made in Japan to get contracts for 21 wide-bodied jets to All-Nippon Airlines from October, 1972 to August, 1974.

Unemployment stays at 5.8%

BY OUR U.S. EDITOR

THE U.S. unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.8 per cent last month, thus confounding forecasts for the time being some economic activity would put more people out of work.

Total employment rose by 140,000 in May, from the depressed levels of April, when the impact of the Teamsters' strike was being felt. However, judged by the standards of

earlier months, this is considered rather a small increase, and may denote some economic weakening.

The average working week in May rose slightly from the April level. It was the sharp fall in April which was a major factor in bringing about a record 3.3 point decline in the index of leading economic indicators announced on Thursday. Again, this suggests that the May rebound was not very big.

UK pledge on UNCTAD Second Window fund

BY PHILIP BOWRING IN MANILA

BRITAIN WILL definitely contribute to the Second Window of the Common Fund for Commodities. The Second Window is the part of the Common Fund aimed at assisting development of production and marketing of those commodities included in UNCTAD's integrated programme for commodities.

The decision was announced yesterday by Mr. Cecil Parkinson, the British Minister of State for Trade, at a meeting with President Marcos of the Philippines. Mr. Parkinson is visiting Manila as head of the British delegation to UNCTAD V.

Before the UNCTAD meeting it had been generally assumed that Britain would contribute to the Second Window. But Mr. Parkinson threw doubt on the new government attitude to it earlier this week when he said a decision would have to await

the Chancellor of the Exchequer's review of public spending. However, it now seems that it is only the amount, not the principle of a contribution, that is at issue.

Meanwhile, with the talks already extended 24 hours and now due to end tomorrow, UNCTAD V is still deadlocked on several key issues. An exasperated African group withdrew from the negotiating group discussing monetary and aid matters claiming there was no possibility of any meaningful conclusion.

There appeared moves afoot for a more general African withdrawal from negotiation on the ground that developed countries were being almost totally immobile.

Reuter adds from Manila: The U.S. and the EEC failed to block a controversial resolution calling for the conference to study the situation in Palestine and Southern Africa.

Vance 'urging Spain to NATO'

MADRID — Mr. Cyrus Vance, the U.S. Secretary of State, began a 22-hour official visit to Madrid yesterday amid widespread speculation that Washington is trying to pressure Spain into joining NATO quickly.

Mr. Vance's visit comes only two weeks after a visit by Mr. Harold Brown, the U.S. Defence Secretary. U.S. and Spanish officials have denied that the Wash-

ington Administration is trying to hasten a Spanish government decision.

The ruling Union of the Democratic Centre (UCD) party is on record as favouring Spanish NATO membership. But Sr. Adolfo Suarez, the Prime Minister, has shown no interest in the subject.

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Party looks to young militants

By Jimmy Burns in Lisbon

THE COMMUNIST Party of Portugal (PCP) is to have its central committee rejuvenated, although the leadership is to remain overwhelmingly working class, the General Secretary, Sr. Alvaro Cunhal, has announced.

Speaking to the PCP's Ninth Congress, which ends tomorrow, he proposed that the party's 100-man central committee should be expanded to include 38 new members and that 50 per cent of its restructured composition should be taken up by militants under the age of 35.

The party's present committee has an average age of 45 years, with the greatest influence being wielded by old-guard militants who have been moulded by years of underground activity during the Salazar dictatorship.

But Sr. Cunhal insisted that his party should maintain its "golden rule," keeping intellectual in the minority. On the present central committee, workers outnumber intellectuals by two-to-one. Of the party's total membership—which Sr. Cunhal claimed had increased since 1976 by 43 per cent to 164,713—about 60 per cent are industrial and agrarian workers. A further 29 per cent are office and bank workers.

Judging by the general tenor of Sr. Cunhal's three-hour report, the changing composition of the party will not substantially affect its basic strategy. The party has been successful in the last few years in winning 100 seats in the National Assembly, but it has not been able to win any seats in the local elections.

Spain prepares to pay a higher price for smoking

THE COST of smoking in Spain has been kept deliberately low. Before the Civil War when the national tobacco monopoly, Tabacalera, was established, it was decided that smoking was one pleasure to be kept within the reach of the working man. (Then it was almost exclusively men who smoked). Cigarette prices have only been raised twice in the past 10 years, and even now it is possible to buy a packet of 20 for Pts 15 or just under 10p.

Despite such cheapness, smoking is still less popular than in the EEC countries. Per capita consumption is approximately 20 per cent lower, largely because there remains a tremendous imbalance between the percentage of men to women smokers. Three out of every four smokers in Spain is a man. But the number of female smokers is on the increase, reflecting Spanish women's desire to treat on the same level as men and the greater number of women occupying jobs outside the house. Indeed the most striking of statistics recently provided by Tabacalera is that 62 per cent of the population between 18 and 25 are smokers, against a total of 45

per cent for the entire population over 16. Price, however, remains the determining element in overall smoking patterns. For instance the cheapest cigarettes, those brands produced locally with black tobacco, are the most popular. They sell three times as many as blended brands and 52 per cent of their clientele is male. Women on the other hand tend to smoke blended tobacco, which is, as a rule, more expensive. Women account for 58 per cent of blended tobacco sales.

When the Government decided last year to raise cigarette and cigar prices, there was a marked increase in sales. For 1978 as a whole sales of cigarettes declined 5 per cent, but Tabacalera maintains that by the year end sales had recovered their former levels. The Spanish may be unaccustomed to paying more for the pleasure of smoking, but it is something they will have to get used to as production costs rise and the Treasury considers higher taxes. But this worries Tabacalera less than the adaptations the monopoly will need to make when Spain joins the EEC.

The EEC Commission in a memorandum pointed out that Spain's three monopolies, covering petroleum distribution (Campsa), telephones (Telefonica) and cigarette manufacture and marketing would have to adapt to the spirit of Article

capital gears Tabacalera to be profit oriented. (Last year it made \$5.6m). Nevertheless the monopoly sees itself with an important social function, to market a low-priced product and in the Canaries, where the tobacco industry is vital, to act

The cost of smoking in Spain has been kept deliberately low since before the Civil War. Robert Graham reports. 37 of the Treaty of Rome. Like the other two monopolies Tabacalera is an odd mix of private enterprise and state interventionism. The main shareholders are the Ministry of Finance through the Office of State Patrimony (51 per cent) and the Bank of Spain (6 per cent). The remaining 14,000 shareholders are private with small holdings except some institutions like the savings banks and Banco Urquijo. The presence of private

the main competition to Tabacalera is going to come from blended tobacco brands which are increasingly popular in Spain.

In contrast Tabacalera hopes to make some foreign penetration with its quality black tobacco. At present the monopoly's own brands account for 72 per cent of blended sales. Here the price element is a major advantage. Last year for instance imports of blended cigarettes fell 25 per cent as a result of new price increases that penalised imports. Many smokers switched to local brands, thus boosting Tabacalera's own blended sales by 6 per cent. In anticipation of foreign competition in this sector, the monopoly is now expanding the choice of brands. The monopoly is aware that to retain profitability it has to phase out the cheapest brands. These are currently produced in the Canaries. The production end in the Canaries itself presents numerous problems. Tabacalera is committed to its existing operations there and is now attempting to group all the other tobacco producers in the Canary archipelago into a mixed company, Tobacana, in consul-

date the industry. This is encountering considerable difficulty, not least because Tabacalera is paying its workers higher wages and is pledged to introduce wage parity with mainland Spain. This means rises of up to 45 per cent in some cases.

So far only some 30 per cent of the members of the Cigarette and Cigar Manufacturers' Association are in favour of the scheme, although they represent about 60 per cent of total production. If the scheme gets off the ground it will face considerable difficulty in allaying its rivalry with Community policy. The Canaries are a custom-free zone and will have to opt whether to retain this status.

The industrialists, including the tobacco industry, have already voiced fears that dismantling of tariff protection will lead to a loss of jobs and therefore would need to keep their present status.

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UK NEWS

Economic growth 'hit by skill shortage'

A CRITICAL SHORTAGE of skilled workers, particularly qualified scientists and engineers, is holding back economic growth, according to a survey by the Scottish Council for Development and Industry.

Demands

The council recommends increasing training grants as a way of encouraging companies to take on more apprentices, and raising levies on those which do not train but rely on poaching to fill their skilled labour requirements.

Expansion will create Ulster jobs

EXPANSION planned by a number of thriving clothing, carpets and electronic companies in Ulster should provide about 350 jobs.

Store changes fire drill after tragedy

NEVER MIND the cash, and save lives, is the instruction by F. W. Woolworth to its staff after the Manchester store fire tragedy three weeks ago, when 10 people died.

London medieval gate unearthed

THE GROUND plan of a medieval postern gate and a portcullis slot outside the Tower of London have been identified after recently completed excavations.

ICI to spend £20m on two new plants in Cheshire

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL Industries is to spend almost £20m on building two new plants in Cheshire. One will produce ammonium chloride, the other sodium hypochlorite, to improve safety at public swimming pools.

In the past three years ICI has urged the Government and local authorities to insist on sodium hypochlorite instead of chlorine gas to purify swimming pool water.

The group says that a chlorine leak at a swimming pool might be highly dangerous because the poisonous gas could find its way into the air-conditioning system and be pumped round the building.

Earlier this year the Government accepted the case against chlorine and ordered local authorities to find an alternative to purify their pools by 1985.

FMC's Stirling bacon factory faces imminent closure

BY CHRISTOPHER PARKES

ANOTHER FMC bacon factory, at Stirling in Scotland, is in imminent danger of closure, a senior company official warned yesterday.

And, he added, three or four of the company's remaining ten curing plants could go the same way as Brierley Hill, closed in December, and Harris of Calne, "home of British bacon," which puts up the shutters this month.

Relief may be on the way, however. Negotiations for assistance between the Ministry of Agriculture and the EEC Commission in Brussels are understood to be well advanced.

And the Ministry hopes to be able to announce aid plans within the next two weeks.

"If things carry on as they did last year we will be obliged to close Stirling," the official said. "The gross margins at the plant made it impossible to reap any profit in 1978."

"Without the Government temporary employment subsidies (now being phased out) we would have closed Stirling by now," he added.

FMC, which manufactures about 25 per cent of British bacon output and is by far the biggest curer in the country, last year embarked on a major rationalisation programme to

repair insisted on reviewing the repair procedures of the operator, the Central Electricity Generating Board.

The Nuclear Inspectors said yesterday the information from the Board confirmed that the cracks appeared during the manufacture of the 13-year-old reactor and were not a result of its operation.

The forgings had stood up to proof pressure tests both in the factory and on site. Further tests had shown that the cracks were stable.

The Inspectorate is satisfied that the defects will not affect the safe operation of the reactor," it said.

The CEGB has already begun to return the reactor to power and expects to be back to full power next week. But it plans to keep the cracks under constant surveillance and newly-fitted instruments will detect any tendency for them to open.

work. Architects Richard Rogers and Partners have designed the new building to strengthen the character of Leadenhall market. It includes a wine bar, shops, a replica of the 18th century Lloyd's coffee house, and Lloyd's public exhibition and reception spaces.

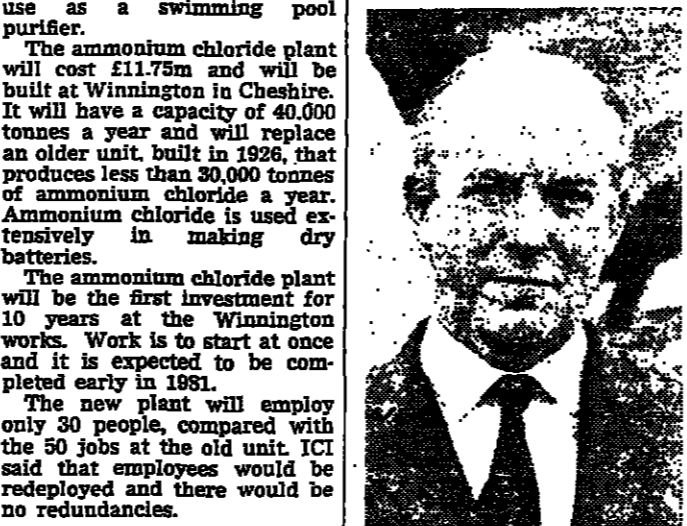
The main working area of the building is surrounded by six lift/stair external towers.



Artist's impression of Lloyd's scheme.

three metres high and varies in thickness from 75 cm to half a metre. It has not been seen for several hundred years.

New chief executive for British Airways



MR. ROY WATTS

MR. ROY WATTS, aged 53, director of finance and planning for British Airways, was yesterday appointed chief executive of the airlines, writes Michael Dougan.

He succeeds Mr. Ross Stainton, who has been appointed chairman of British Airways after the resignation for personal reasons of Sir Frank McFadden.

Mr. Watts will relinquish his present job, so the airline must appoint a new director of finance and planning, as well as a new engineering director to replace Mr. Kenneth Wilkinson, who becomes deputy chairman.

Mr. Watts was trained as an accountant and joined British European Airways in 1955. After the merger with BOAC to form British Airways, he served as director of commercial operations.

As chief executive, he will be responsible for all day-to-day operations of the airline.

English apple campaign

By John Edwards, Commodities Editor

AN ATTEMPT by English apple growers to win back sales lost to imported varieties, especially French Golden Delicious, was announced yesterday.

East Kent Packers, which terms itself the largest growers' co-operative, and the Saphir group are campaigning to increase sales of Crispin, a newly developed variety which, it is

hoped, will extend the British apple season further into the summer.

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LABOUR NEWS

Texaco plans to sack oil platform yard strikers

BY RAY PERMAN, SCOTTISH CORRESPONDENT

By Ray Perman, Scot. Corres. TEXACO intends to sack the majority of strikers at the yard building essential components for its Tartan Oilfield production platform, and attempt to recruit a new work force to finish the job on time.

The 80's men on unofficial strike for two weeks for a £1,300 completion bonus, have been given until tomorrow to resume normal working. By yesterday afternoon about 80 had indicated they would.

The rest voted overwhelmingly at meeting to ignore the company's threat of dismissal and continue their action.

contract is complete. Mr. Peter George, chairman of the shop stewards, said that the men had been told officially by British Shipbuilders, which owns 75 per cent of the Burntisland company, that the yard would be put on a "care and maintenance" footing as soon as the work ran out. This would mean most workers being laid off.

"This has been one of the main factors in determining the decision of the men," he said. "We will be meeting again next Friday, but we are available for talks with the management at any time, night or day."

Pilkington Glass pay offer is rejected

BY PAULINE CLARK, LABOUR STAFF

UNION REPRESENTATIVES of process workers at Pilkington Glass company, St. Helens, said yesterday that they rejected both a pay offer and management proposals for agreement on new technology.

Mr. David Warburton, national officer of the industry in the General and Municipal Workers' Union, will consider the unions' next move at a meeting with St. Helens shop stewards on Monday. Further talks with management are expected before the July settlement date.

The company's pay offer of about 9 per cent on the basic rate was described as "not acceptable." It would add £7.30 to the £63.52 basic minimum.

The failure to agree on terms for introduction of new technology was seen by both sides as equally disappointing. The company is preparing for a £70m float glass plant between 1980 and 1981. It prefers closure at the same time of the old sheet glass plants at St. Helens.

The new plant will employ about 400 workers, against 670 to 700 jobs at the sheet glass works. The company employs about 9,700 process-workers in the UK, of whom 6,300 work at St. Helens.

Union leaders last night were considering a "slightly improved" offer to 50,000 manual workers in ICI. A rejected offer was estimated at about 15 per cent.

Suspended for Tory link says shop steward

ACTIVE Conservative Party member Mr. Bill Dodds claimed yesterday that he was suspended from his shop steward's job by the Transport and General Workers' Union because he spoke out in support of secret ballots.

The union's Southampton regional committee found him guilty of contravening the rules by making unauthorised disclosures of union business. He had spoken to the Press and on radio and television during last autumn's nine-week Ford strike. He works at Ford's body plant at Swaythling, near Southampton.

Mr. Dodds, a 51-year-old father of four, says that union officials were "upset about my political leanings."

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Postal workers' action hardens

By Pauline Clark, Labour Staff

POST OFFICE management staff were instructed by their union yesterday not to take on the work of strikers as 10,000 London telecommunications workers joined a strike over the suspension of 250 clerks.

The action by the Society of Civil and Public Servants is expected to lessen the wave of suspensions of Post Office clerical staff which began when selective action was started over a pay dispute seven weeks ago.

The Civil and Public Services Association, the other main union in the dispute, explained that anger had risen among the unions' members because some managers had asked staff to do strikers' work before taking it on themselves.

This had led to a wave of suspensions culminating in yesterday's one-day strike by London members of the CPSSA in protest at the suspension of clerical staff who refused to do work normally done by strikers.

The CPSSA said yesterday the mood of its members was "hardening" and warned there was likely to be further action on the same scale.

The dispute over a 20-30 per cent pay demand has halted telephone billing and slowed down phone installation work.

In Glasgow 640 accounts staff walked out after two senior managers banked cheques—work normally done by CPSSA members.

Meanwhile, the union will today approach ASLEF, the train drivers' union, to ask railway workers to black the Post Office's Busy promotions train due to arrive in Liverpool on Monday.

NEWS ANALYSIS—TUBE STRIKE THREAT

London could be brought to a halt

BY PHILIP BASSETT, LABOUR STAFF

LONDON FACES its first stoppage of the Underground since the General Strike of 1926.

The National Union of Railwaymen yesterday said that if a better pay offer was not put to London Transport's 23,000 Tube workers, it would call an indefinite strike from Monday, June 18, though this gives time for a full round of negotiations and interventions to take place.

Though Underground services last year accounted for only 17 per cent of journeys to and from work in Greater London, according to London Transport, compared with 32 per cent carried by bus, union officials are aware that a shutdown of Underground services would place an immense strain on the alternative transport and would be likely to increase road congestion massively. About 435,000 commuters use the Tube on weekdays.

The unions say that pay policy settlements have distorted the pay structure for Tube workers agreed with the LTE in 1974 and, taking advantage of the effect of various settlements on the Labour Government's Stage Four target of 5 per cent, it is determined to press in this year's claim for that structure to be re-instated.

Tube train settlements, though, have tended to be influenced by the British Railways Board's agreements with main line staff.

The BRB April settlement gave a new basic rate to drivers—one of the grades where a direct comparison with LTE staff can be made—of £74.20, plus a £4 supplement—an increase on the previous basic rate of 18.2 per cent.

The unions then argued that in order to reach anything like that figure for the tube driver or motorman and to return to the 1974 structure the existing £2 supplement to the tube workers' pay would have to be consolidated and then the inclusive rate increased by 11 per cent for a railman, with corresponding increases for other grades, to give a new pay structure.

The second claim—which was decided on after careful consideration—of 12 and 15 per cent increases for railmen and corresponding grades puts the LTE motorman 8p per week above the BRB driver.

Mr. Ralph Bennett, LTE chairman, said in the executive's 1978 annual report that "the rates of pay for staff will have to remain competitive with those of other employees in the London area if staff shortages are to be avoided."

The unions argue that if their claim is not met London Transport will not be able to match the attractiveness of pay for their own busmen and mainline railway pay and recruitment will fall.

London Transport, which is already expected to raise its Tube fares by almost 10 per

cent this month, replied with an offer which would pay £7.23m on its £70m pay bill for the grades involved.

The offer also included a 9.8 per cent increase in the London weighting allowance, from £349 to £383, a guaranteed minimum earnings level of £25.50 a week in line with the main line settlement, two days extra leave for conciliation staff and other improvements.

The differential of the automatic train operators, who work on the Victoria Line, would be maintained on the acceptance of the introduction of one-man operation on the Hammersmith and City and Circle lines, with the extension in the course of time to the remainder of the District and Metropolitan lines. The LTE has been pressing for this since 1968.

The unions estimate that the effect of the proposals for one-man operations would be a loss of 87 guards' jobs, and said that while they were prepared to talk about single manning it should not be brought in as part of this year's pay settlement.

In subsequent negotiations, LTE officials said that the offer was as far as the executive could go, though they said this week before the NUR took its decision that they would be prepared to re-arrange the terms of the offer if the unions wanted it in order to reach a settlement.

Attitude

They made it clear, though, that they considered the offer reasonable in the light of outside settlements, and that they could see no justification in meeting the unions' claim, which they estimate would put 17 per cent, or £11.9m on the wage bill.

The result of what the NUR called the "adamant attitude" was the strike call.

Mr. Charlie Turnock, assistant general secretary of the NUR, spoke yesterday of "stopping the system" but with 18 days before the strike date there is still time for a settlement.

TUBE PAY

Table with 5 columns: Present basic rate (£ inc. tax), First claimed basic rate (£), % rise of claim, 2nd claimed basic rate (£), % rise of offer. Rows include Station foreman (C grade), Signaller (Grade 13), Motor (Grade E/M), Automatic train operator.

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# THE WEEK IN THE MARKETS

## Equities remain morose

A rather shell-shocked equity market has managed to make a little progress over the past week, but the undertone is still decidedly morose. There was a good deal of relief when settlement day for the narrowing selection account passed without the widespread defaulting that some brokers had feared, but the market has seen little enthusiasm. The 30-share index has been depressed by the continuing decline of the Beecham share price, which has fallen by over 21 in the week since its disappointing 1978-79 figures were announced.

For gilt-edged the approach of the Budget and the absence of official economic statistics have both made for rather featureless trading. This has not prevented the market from settling slightly worked up about the banking figures for the April-May month which will be published on Tuesday, but his has led to caution rather than outright selling. Buyers of gilts now are taking a long-term view rather than hoping for immediate gain; the market is sking for re-assurance from the Budget rather than any remarkably good news.

**Profits print-out**  
Despite the disruption caused by a five-week strike, ICL continues to grow at or very near its self-imposed 20 per cent per annum target rate: sales in the first half of 1978/79 rose 23 per cent to £226.5m, and almost all the increase was attributable to higher volume. Pretax profits were up by 18 per cent at £18.5m, with margins at the previous level being depressed by higher interest and depreciation charges. The increase in depreciation—up by nearly a quarter to £19.3m—largely reflects the growth of ICL's computer leasing business.

Expectations of an imminent all-out of the NEEB's 25 per cent stake are overhanging the market at the moment, and ICL understandably wants to get the hole business out of the way. The main question is whether there will be a public offer for sale or—as when Plessey's holding in ICL was sold in January—a private placement around the institutions. Tory philosophy might be thought to favour a public offer of the shares, but ICL denies that it has been contemplating to draw up a prospectus. In any case, the healthy over-subscription of the Plessey stake suggests that the market is far from depressed with ICL shares and some believe that a placement should be possible relatively easily.

## Mis-timed break

WAS probably not the best time for Wall Street to take a holiday. There was a lot of news which sent shares tumbling, and in the coming months the market may well decide that this was the week when the economy finally ake out.

The market opened nervously for the memorial day holiday: fine stocks were weak following the DC-10 crash in Chicago. President Carter was due to hold a Press conference in the afternoon. But much of the top in the Industrial Average is due to the growing rain that Brascan would not be able to pursue its \$1.13bn bid for F. W. Woolworth. As a result, shares in Woolworth, a component of the Average, dropped over \$2 to around \$24.40. But by then, the market had other things to worry about. Wednesday brought the latest

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de figures: a whopping 15bn deficit for April which, rather with reports of new price rises in OPEC countries and fighting in Iran, shed the Dow down to its lowest level for nearly three months. And on Thursday, the best index of leading economic indicators showed a 3.3 per cent up, the sharpest for several years, reinforcing the feeling that the five-year boom was at its peak.

With takeover fever still rife, many of the most active stocks are actual or potential candidates. Exxon's proposed bid for finance Electric kept those shares tingling at around \$60 compared to their year low of \$45. Walter E. Heller put on a five points to \$237 after it had been approached by a possible purchaser which it not identify (though there is widespread speculation in market that it was a foreign bank). Another gainer was

Budget or widespread industrial action, breweries generally look set for a healthy year, with the nationals promising a little more than the regionals.

**Property rights**  
It does not seem so very long ago that property groups were almost afraid to lift their heads over the parapet. Shrinking asset backing and a blanket development veto were followed by elaborate rescue packages for those groups that evaded the receiver, and the sector resembled little more than a static, if substantial, rent collecting agency.

No more. Even on the wilder fringes of the property market, things are stirring again. And for the major sub-sector index constituents—the rights issue queue now looks an acceptable avenue along which to carry out a final balance sheet strengthening and a significant re-entry into development.

**Tasty Borthwick**  
Thomas Borthwick, the highly-cyclical meat business which since going public in 1976 has shown shareholders the dark side of the cycle, came up with some much tastier figures for the first half of its 1978-79 year. Pre-tax profits are ahead at £5.8m, after £2.2m, and the group could well make £12m for the year. But then everything is going right for Borthwick—the beef price is high, and most importantly the U.S. has raised its import quotas, which allows the company to sell more Australian beef on the lucrative U.S. hamburger market. Borthwick is working hard at improving the non-cyclical side of its business—retailing, and the flavour and essence division—but investors are still going to need convincing that wild

swings in profits are a thing of the past. Dunlop, where annual profits dropped from £57m to £43m during 1978, warned shareholders that the essential recovery in its European tyre business would be a "hard slog."

Speaking at the annual meeting, chairman Sir Campbell Fraser emphasised that the speed with which the group could push ahead with the recovery of its tyre operations in Europe would make the most difference to the results.

January and February were poor, he added, as a result of the harsh winter and the transport drivers' strike but he hoped these were "exceptional months". The European companies have been showing an improvement over last year and

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during the week to raise £36.3m through a one-for-six rights issue at 134p. Its profits for the six months to March 31 improved by 42 per cent to £8.3m.

Investors are not given a chance to study an up-to-date balance sheet but the September revaluation and the conversion of £10m of loan stock could reduce gearing to about 35 per

### CLOSING PRICES

Day	Close	Change
Monday	Mkt. closed	
Tuesday	822.55	- 37.3
Wednesday	822.16	- 10.39
Thursday	822.33	+ 0.17

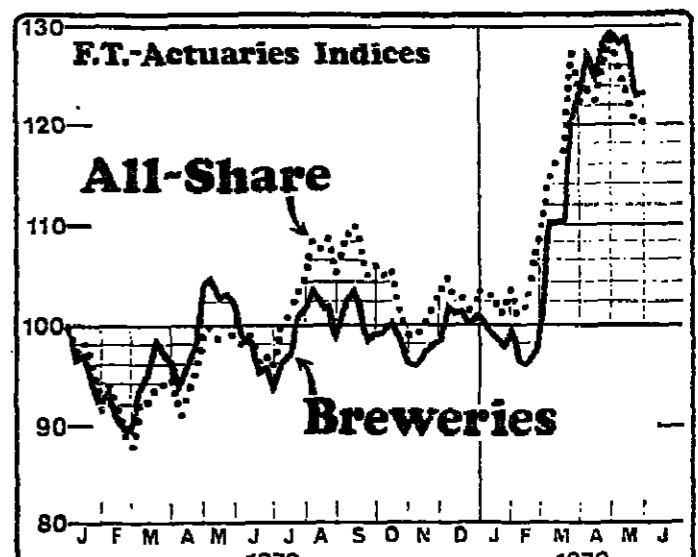
Dunlop's subsidiaries elsewhere continued to trade well.

**TOP PERFORMING SECTORS IN FOUR WEEKS FROM MAY 3**

Sector	% change
Shipping	-0.2
Household Gods	-2.1
Overseas Traders	-2.7
Miscellaneous (Unclassified)	-2.9
Hire Purchase	-3.3
Newspapers, Publishing	-3.8

**THE WORST PERFORMERS**

Sector	% change
All-Share Index	-6.8
Wines and Spirits	-11.0
Insurance (Composite)	-11.1
Insurance Brokers	-11.6
Office Equipment	-13.4
Toys and Games	-13.5
Pharmaceutical Products	-14.8



### MARKET HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

Ind. Ord. Index	Price Y'day	Change on Week	1979 High	1979 Low	Notes
Gold Mines Index	195.3	+ 7.1	558.6	446.1	Small technical rally
B. & Q. (Retail)	87	+27*	91	78	Record bullion price
Bambers (Stores)	310	+24	325	113	Impressive debut
Beecham	570	-28	755	567	Chairman's confident statement
Brown & Jackson	930	-210	930	218	Re-rating after poor results
Central Pacific Minerals	660	-110	680	340	Prior to Monday's share split
De Beers Defd.	421	-25	482	366	Cooler market for diamonds
Falcon Mines	290	+40	290	132	Oil shale development hopes
Finlas	165	-35	200	88	Handover of power in Rhodesia
Hunting Gibson	215	-27	220	98	Profit-taking
LASMO 'Ops'	765	-85	765	375	Speculative demand
MFI Furniture	400	+40	400	162	Increased North Sea oil prices
Mountview Estates	140	-22	148	90	Investment demand
P.M.A.	121	+21*	121	59	Annual results due Wednesday
Sheepbridge Eng.	103	+37	105	62	Return from suspension
Thermal Syndicate	146	-20	146	88	Recommended bid from GKN
UBM	81	+ 9	83	65	Speculative bid hopes

\* Based on issue price.  
\* Based on Wednesday's opening price.

### U.K. INDICES

Average week to	June 1	May 25	Mar 18
FINANCIAL TIMES			
Govt. Secs.	72.86	72.84	73.31
Fixed Interest	75.12	75.09	75.88
Indust. Ord.	513.7	513.7	525.2
Gold Mines	194.6	194.8	172.9
Do. (Ex 5 pm)	159.9	148.1	141.7
Dealings mks.	4,214	4,771	4,471
FT ACTUARIES			
Capital Gds.	266.09	267.43	276.54
Consumer (Durable)	246.48	246.26	252.55
Cons. (Non-Durable)	248.25	247.42	255.95
Inds. Group	252.19	252.63	261.74
500-Share	284.87	284.56	293.36
Financial Gp.	201.57	199.49	207.30
All-Share	261.65	26.25	269.59
Red. Debs.	60.42	60.98	61.31

As every successful self-employed person knows, when you're earning money, you're also leaving a very conspicuous trail for the tax man to follow.

For every extra £ you want to take home, you'll have to earn another two, three, or even four, for the Inland Revenue.

It makes you wonder just how and when you'll reap the rewards for your hard work.

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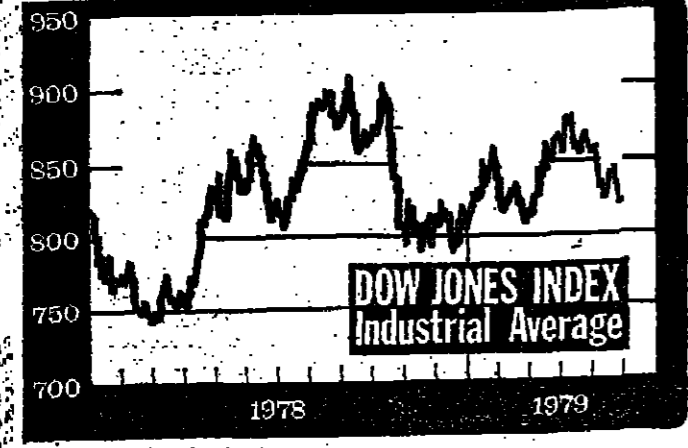
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# YOUR SAVINGS AND INVESTMENTS

EDITED BY EAMONN FINGLETON

Confidence, as well as money, is needed to revive run-down areas. Abbey National is launching a scheme that combines the two, writes Eamonn Fingleton

## Money for the asking from the Abbey



Confidence needed: this street in Ilkeston, Derbyshire, will get it



Ashley Ashwood Thornton: £5m to spend

**HOW DO YOU stop an area of run-down Victorian or Edwardian houses becoming the slums of tomorrow? Money alone is not enough. Even where an individual owner can raise a mortgage, he will hesitate to spend on vital improvements if he fears the rest of the area will continue to rot away.**

**In addition Abbey will use its bargaining power with local authorities to get them to loosen up their grant systems. It is theoretically possible for householders to get grants of up to £3,750 for major improvements and up to £1,125 for repairs.**

**Would-be improvers are put off by the sheer fog of filling in forms and finding out what they are entitled to. Many town halls insist that if an improver moves house within five years after the work is done he repay the grants.**

**Kent and South West Scotland. A total of 1,500 householders are being notified and the Abbey's chief general manager, Clive Thornton, expects that about 60 per cent of them will take up the offer. He expects a typical beneficiary will need to borrow about £3,000 to £4,000. Where a householder already has a mortgage with another society, the Abbey will take it over.**

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**The fact is that once into the house market one is virtually locked in for ever through a classic application of a "Catch 22" by the building societies.**

**They will, of course, allow a deduction from the proceeds to cover the costs of disposal and moving. Some will even generously make a further allowance to cover such items as new carpets, but otherwise, willy nilly, the gain is channelled back into housing.**

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Another disquieting consequence of the societies' rules is that the reinvestment regulation effectively locks into one particular section of the economy not only the initial investment but the added value as well. Homeowners have no choice as to whether they keep their capital gain in housing or shift part of it to another part of the economy.

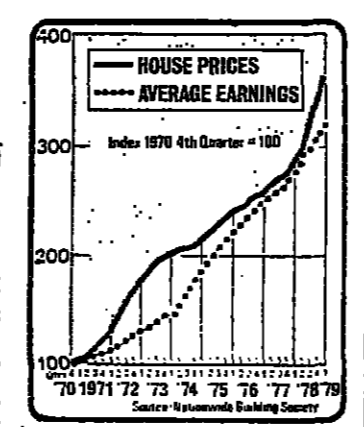
Indeed, if that point were reached, homeowners might need to be actively encouraged to reinvest part of their capital gains anywhere, but in the housing market. And that might be a boost for the economy generally.

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mands on the building societies' resources. Some building society chiefs believe that this is inherently unfair to their established customers. They feel that the pre-occupation with helping the first-time buyer has become excessive and some redress is needed.

At present, with mortgage demand outstripping supply the sharp rein on second-time around mortgages is probably helping restrain the prices of homes. Bigger mortgages plus capital gains from the first sale would equal higher prices in the second home market.

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ERIC SHORT

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This means that the gift of £1.075 will secure a gross premium of £1,303.03—nearly 81 per cent more than the £720 net cost to the grandparents.

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TRAVEL

Germany's road of romance

BY PAUL MARTIN

I'LL ADMIT to mistaking some of the odd joint marketing ventures dreamt up by tourist authorities...



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when I went back there in last year's golden autumn. I did so with some misgivings, wondering whether those magically pretty towns...

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While I still have some reservations about Dinkelsbühl, which seems in danger of being prettified out of existence...

the best sense and not beautiful. The most familiar tourist centre along the Romantic Road is Rothenburg on the Tauber...

Rothenburg can burst at the seams in high summer with the phalanxes of coaches drawn up on the Town Hall square...

gorging those determined to "do" this lovely city in an hour with no time to visit those little alleyways...

Even in the tiniest villages there is a real danger of trying to crowd in too much sight-seeing and, on my earlier visit, some over-zealous hosts insisted on including so many baroque churches...

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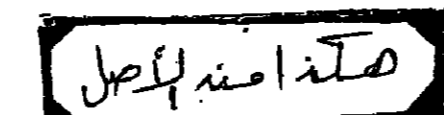
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Motoring

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MOTORING



A Supermirafiori 2.5 litre diesel competing in the Mobil Fiat Economy Run in Italy.

Petrol vs diesel

BY STUART MARSHALL

THE FIRST eyeball-to-eyeball confrontation between petrol and diesel engines took place last week in the Mobil Fiat Economy Run in Italy. The diesels won, but on points, not by a knock-out.

The contest followed its usual format. Correspondents from all over Europe had to drive round a 60-mile route in not more than 87 minutes, using as little fuel—and taking as little time—as possible.

ment slaps an extra annual tax on diesel cars, the high mileage driver gets it back several times over in fuel savings.

Winners were those who beat the average of all competitors for both speed and time. Alas, I was not among them. I was faster (44.6 mph against a mean 44.4 mph) but my 42.06 mpg consumption was 0.68 mpg below the 42.74 mpg average.

With the 11.25 gallon of petrol in prospect and last weekend's fuel famine in mind, fuel economy is this week's motoring talking point.

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"The best economy device in any car is the driver's right foot," he advises. It can also be the worst—a point made in this column more than once in the last year or so.

These, the competitors will be asked to drive cars drawn from a pool of ten of the most economical models sold in Britain.

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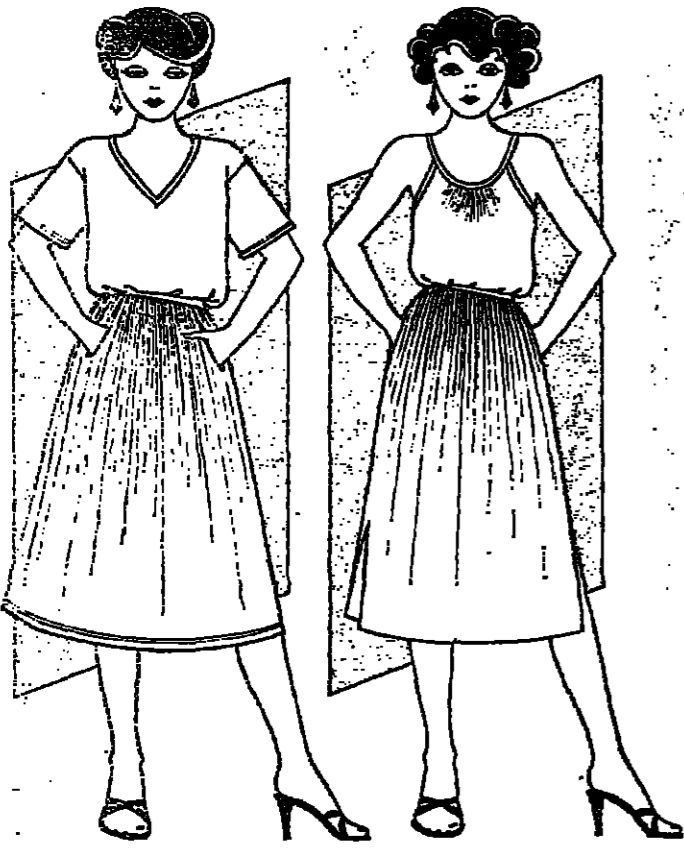
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LEISURE



Two simple cotton jersey outfits... On the left is a very useful skirt and long T-shirt; each can, of course, be worn separately... Right, is the sort of dress to wear on holiday or on the rare very hot days...

Look what's happened to the T-shirt

FASHION LUCIA VAN DER POST

IF YOU remember T-shirts as those handy little cotton jersey tops that were useful for dressing the kids, then you may have trouble recognising this summer's crop of T-shirts. T-shirts have grown up. They come in almost any shape or size, from simple, sporty and artless, to slinky, slit-up-the-side and sophisticated.

If you are currently as depressed about the weather scene as most of us are but feel you must make some kind of concession to summer dressing, then a T-shirt dress is the thing to buy... T-shirt dresses can be worn straight and sloppy but the newest way to wear them is to buy a huge big waist-cinching belt... Almost all their fabrics are striped but you can buy plain cotton T-shirts or skirts to match up with the stripes.

Howie Diffusion makes some of the slickest of the T-shirt dresses around... Foot-notes: Spotted tights are currently very fashionable and you can pay anything up to £3 for these hard-to-track-down favourites... A useful service for those whose feet vary in size is provided by Clarks Shoe shops.

not replace your friendly neighbourhood cobbler, but the training facilities and back-up of a large organisation in this case do seem to offer hope for an efficient service... Of course, this service does



A group of brightly-striped cotton jersey from the firm of Peppermint... London W1: Benetton, 6 South Molton Street... Left is a simple dress, very easy to wear, with an elasticated waist... Right, a skirt and matching T-shirt; this is useful because both pieces can be worn separately or together.

Why the English love their plants

WHO BUT THE English would devote a large part of one of their major metropolitan museums for three whole months to an exhibition concerned exclusively with British gardening? The display opened last week at the Victoria and Albert Museum in South Kensington and will remain open only until August 26...

GARDENING ARTHUR HELLYER

uncovered and painstakingly restored at Fishbourne Palace near Chichester... The English approached the matter in an entirely different way making for themselves flowery meads and turf-ed seats for pleasure and growing herbs and flowers in sensible beds for easy cultivation...

Chinese, with their special reverence for nature, considered that no garden was complete without a pavilion and that by placing a pavilion in the country its surroundings were immediately converted into a garden... Increasing number of plants that were becoming available... The owner of that swing was

Walker Cup Sham

GOLF BEN WRIGHT

playing golf, with the admirable intention of producing a real-life amateur side... The USGA was granted to select only those golfers who spent a considerable part of each week—at least four to five days—doing something other than

dates for the NCAA and the Walker Cup clashed, and America's three best amateurs, Gary Hallberg, Bob Clampett and John Cook, all elected to play for their colleges rather than their country... The owner of that swing was Scott Hoch, and he combined it, said Jay Sigel, with the kind of putting stroke that after a while forbids you to watch...

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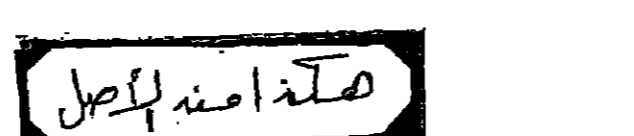
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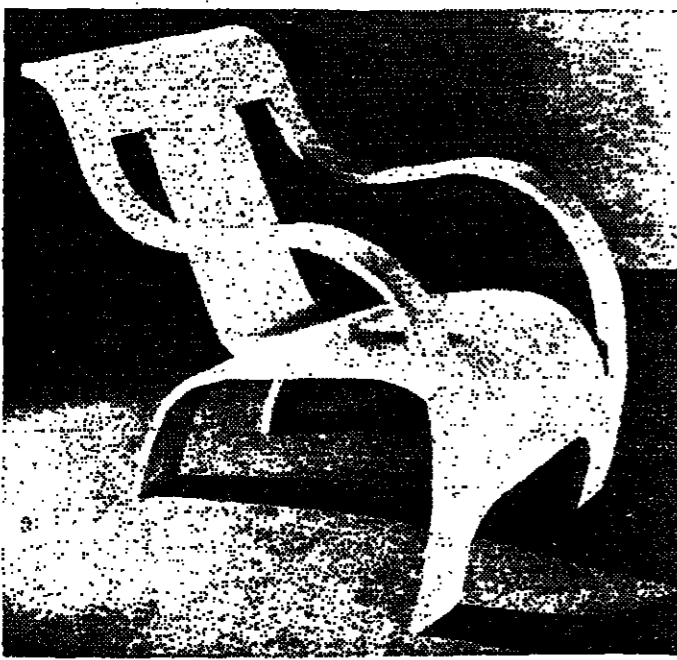
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# HOW TO SPEND IT

by Lucia van der Post

## A century of British design

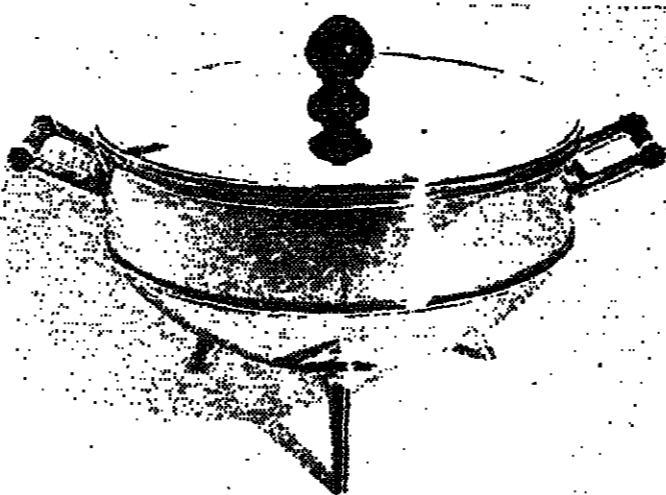


Laminated birch chair designed by Gerald Summers for The Makers of Simple Furniture exhibition, about 1924

BECAUSE London is where I live and work and because it has all the charm and interest of a vital capital city it tends to come in for a great deal of attention on this page. Today it is nice to report on an important exhibition out of London at the Mappin Art Gallery, Sheffield, which should be seen by everybody who is interested in British design.

Fiona McCarthy, who used to write about design for the Guardian and has recently published a book on British Design has assembled the exhibition (which she calls Homespun to Highspeed). Her husband David Mellor has designed it with Tatjana Marinsek and it can be viewed from now until July 8.

The main purpose of the exhibition is simply to illuminate, visually, the development of British design from 1880 to 1980 and to do this Fiona McCarthy has selected well over 500 pieces, starting with the Aesthetic Movement and the work of two designers of the



Silver-plated soup tureen with ebony handles designed by Christopher Dresser for Mulin and Heath, about 1880.

1880s. E. W. Godwin and Christopher Dresser (his silver-plated soup tureen, photographed above, looks amazingly up-to-date even today). There's a strong section on the Arts and Crafts movement as well as examples from all the other design movements—the trend towards mass-production, the growing awareness of social pressures and the demands of the masses for cheaper goods.

The move towards "the machine aesthetic" can all be traced through the work of the designers of the time. There's a nostalgic look at Utility furniture and fabrics and that great post-war monument to optimism, the Festival of Britain era. All the great post-war names are there—HK, Race and Hillie, the very first Design Centre awards. From there the move towards involving designers in a wider range of industrial matters began to gather apace and we see them designing machine tools and traffic signals, the Moulton bicycle and the Mini car.

Most fascinating of all is how the exhibition shows British

design coming full-circle, with modern designers rejecting the machine-made and mass-produced and returning once again to the small, individual craft workshop and things lovingly made by hand.

Even those who know a great deal about British design and have read endlessly of the works of Voysey, Baillie Scott, C. R. Mackintosh and all the other early designers, will probably never again be able to see such a large selection of all their works under one roof.

Though at its simplest level the exhibition can be seen as a history of British design, it is the questions that it poses that give it its real interest. Is there a national British style? Where do we go from here? How do we combine the interests of the many with the maintenance of fine workmanship and high standards? Just what is it that constitutes good design? Visit the exhibition and decide for yourself. It is open from Monday to Saturday from 10.00 to 20.00 and on Sunday from 14.00 to 17.00; entrance is free.

## A family feast

BY JULIE HAMILTON

"PARTIES ARE so boring if parents are there. We can't do our own thing. Other people's parties are not so bad." Thus my teenage son and daughter declined to have an 18th birthday party. They asked, instead, for a special dinner at home, bringing one "friend each and "a couple of your friends, mum, so you don't get bored."

### Prawn and avocado salad

This salad, and two of the sauces (rosy dill and curried mayonnaise) use a lot of mayonnaise so it is worth making at least 1 1/2 pints of thick mayonnaise in advance.  
2lb fresh unpeeled prawns.  
3 large avocados.  
2 small cucumbers (or 1 large).  
10 lettuce leaves.  
1 pint (approx) freshly made mayonnaise, juice of 1 lemon.  
5 oz double cream.

added up to a difficult menu problem. My teenagers are fussy, and I did not know their friends' tastes. The meal had to be, in their terms, exceptional, with a touch of luxury, but not too exotic for young and inexperienced palates, yet appealing to the adults.

### Mixed meat fondue

You will need two fondue sets; the amount of fat will depend on their size. Use 50 per cent corn oil, 50 per cent butter. With the fondue I served plenty of garlic bread and a green salad.  
1 1/2 lb fillet steak, 1 1/2 lb rump steak, 1 1/2 lb boned lean loin of pork or fillet (tenderloin as some butchers call it).

before, and kept in the fridge. And of course there had to be cakes.  
Happily, the evening was a success. It was enjoyed by our house-fondue rules: anyone withdrawing the fondue fork from the boiling fat and leaving the meat behind had to rise from the table and kiss all the fellow guests.  
Quantities given in recipe are enough for ten people.

### Jason's dobos

2 oz plain flour, 2 oz granulated sugar, 3 eggs.  
Cream filling: 6 oz caster sugar, 6 oz butter, 8 oz chocolate, 2 tablespoons brandy.  
Caramel top: 4 oz white sugar.  
Butter and flour two 7cm x 10cm sandwich tins. Separate the eggs. Cream the yolks and sugar until very light and creamy. Whip the egg whites until stiff and stir them in. Slowly fold in the sifted flour.

### Garlic sauce

1 slice white bread approximately 1 inch thick, 4 large cloves garlic, 1 pint olive oil, juice of 1 large lemon, 1 teaspoon whole grain mustard, 1 teaspoon salt, 3 fresh basil leaves (optional).  
Trim the crusts off the bread and soak the bread in water. Using a pestle and mortar, crush the garlic with the salt and basil leaves until liquid. Squeeze out the bread and add it to the garlic, add the mustard and mix together well. Add the oil in the same way as you would for mayonnaise, a drop at a time, beating vigorously. Finish off with lemon and adjust seasoning.

### Tomato sauce

2lb tomatoes (I use tinned), 8 cloves garlic, 1 tablespoon dried basil, 1 tablespoon salt, 1 teaspoon sugar, 1 tablespoon olive oil.  
Heat the oil with the whole peeled garlic. Put the tomatoes through a fine food mill or sieve. Add them to the oil. Add the basil, salt and sugar. Bring to the boil and cook slowly without a lid until reduced by nearly two-thirds (it should take about 1 1/2 hours). By then the garlic should be so soft you can crush it easily with a wooden spoon against the side of the pan. Stir from time to time while cooking. Allow to cool.

### Laura's cheesecake

1 lb cottage cheese, 8 oz fresh cream cheese, 4 oz butter, 6 oz digestive biscuits, 4 oz caster sugar, 1 oz powdered gelatine, 1 lemon, 4 eggs, 1 pint double cream, 1 teaspoon parmesan, 2 tablespoons tequila (or dry sherry), 1 lb raspberries (frozen at this time of year) for decoration.  
Melt the butter in a pan over a low heat; crush the digestive biscuits to very fine crumbs and mix well with the melted butter. Spread the mixture evenly on the base of a loose-bottomed 9-inch cake tin, press well down and chill.  
Sprinkle the gelatine over three tablespoons of warm water and put aside, in a warm spot, to dissolve. Put the cottage cheese through a fine food mill or sieve and place in a large bowl. Add the cream cheese and mix well. Finely grate the

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### Julie's barbecue sauce

2 cloves garlic, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon made mustard, 1 tablespoon soy sauce, 1 teaspoon hot paprika powder, 1 pint olive oil, 2 tablespoons wine vinegar, 3 tablespoons tomato ketchup, 1 teaspoon soft brown sugar, dash of Worcestershire sauce.  
Crush garlic with the salt and hot paprika, using a pestle and mortar. Add the mustard, sugar and soy sauce. With an electric beater or wooden spoon, slowly add the oil then the tomato, ketchup, vinegar and Worcestershire sauce. Beat well together.

### THE FIVE SAUCES

All the sauces may be served in ramekins

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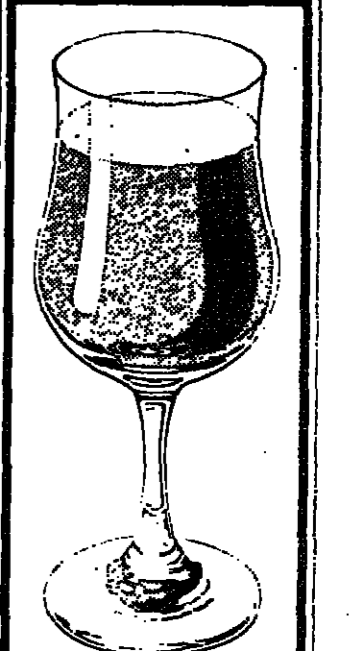
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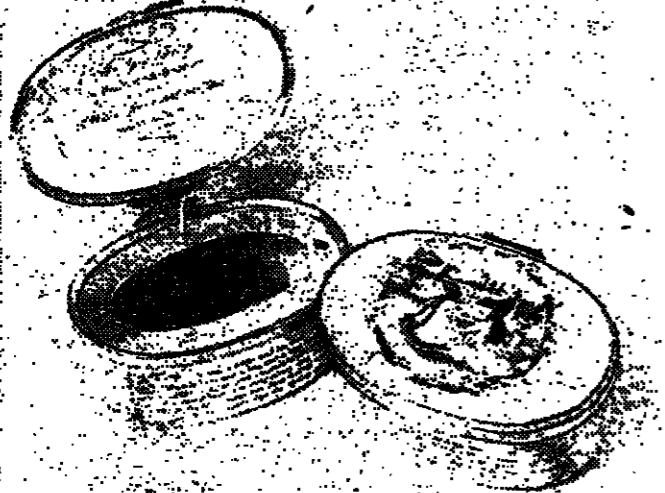
I'VE never been a great one for collecting memorabilia or limited editions—would that it had been different! People who were in on the early days of the collecting mania could, if they had been astute, already have made a small fortune.

Halcyon Days, of 14 Brook Street, produces some of the most charming commemorative enameled and metal boxes. Susan Benjamin, who is the genius behind the show, tells me that the first commemorative box she produced in 1970 sold for £22.50 and four more were issued at 9 monthly intervals—an American who had

bought the first one has recently paid £300 each for the other four. Similarly, one of her 1973 Easter Eggs which sold for £9.75 at the time has recently changed hands for £150.

Rosenthal report an even more staggering appreciation on their Christmas plates—the first one, produced in 1971, sold for £29 originally and now fetches £900 on the collectors' market.

If you want to take a chance on today's commemorative objects appreciating in like manner here are some of the most charming around at the moment.



The 200th anniversary of the Derby Stakes will be celebrated on June 6th and it seems to have encouraged a spate of memorabilia sure to please racing fans. One of the most exquisite of the commemorative items is the Bilston enamel box, top right, from Halcyon Days which features drawings by Moira Hodder. The box is hand-coloured and the lid shows King

Edward VII as Prince of Wales, leading in his Derby winner, Persimmon, in 1896. Around the sides are vignettes of Sam Arncliffe "on Diamond", the winner of the first race in 1780, the Winning Post in 1818, Tattenham Corner in 1870 and Lester Piggott on St. Paddy in 1960. Inside the base is a portrait of the twelfth Earl of Derby, after whom the race was named.

There is 22 carat gilding on the handle and it can be bought now from good china shops like Harrods, General Trading Company in Sloane Street and Royal Worcester Spode Rooms.

Finally, the last of the memorabilia, is an enchanting musical box, which commemorates the centenary of the original Shakespeare Memorial Theatre which opened in Stratford-upon-Avon in 1879. The box is also hand-painted Bilston enamel from Halcyon Days, and will be produced in a limited edition of 250. The background is stipped in bright turquoise and the panels feature pink flowers. The theme of the music and the decoration, is the song "It was a Lover and his Lass" from Act V, Scene 3 of "As You Like It". The box is an oval measuring about 2 1/2 ins and costs £130.



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## ARTS/COLLECTING

# Glyndebourne's new Fidelio

Glyndebourne's new *Fidelio*, the second in the history of the house, opened this year's Festival on Sunday. Bernard Haitink conducts, Peter Hall produces, designs and lighting are by John Bury. The results are, as one would expect from so distinguished a team, enlightening, outwardly uncontroverted, in the main deeply satisfying. The fortunate ones who have got seats may count themselves lucky—if they go, that is, to hear Beethoven's mighty opera and not merely this or that singer. Though there is a notable performance of the title-role by Elisabeth Söderström, the emphasis, in the best Glyndebourne way, is on fine ensemble work.

This must be about the least Germanic *Fidelio* since the one in the pre-war Beecham era at Covent Garden, distinguished by Rex Whistler's settings. Since the war German producers have gone all out for the political aspect, to stress the background of prison, repression and militarism, often updating the action, so that the humble domestic world of Rocco and Marzelline is crushed almost out of existence by towering walls, iron grilles, marching soldiers, and dull uniformity. That type of reaction was no doubt inevitable, but it settled into routine, such originality as there was merely superficial, without real thought.

Peter Hall and John Bury prove that, by firmly establishing both the domestic background and the work's operatic implications of the tremendous statement of the human predicament that grew out of them is not diminished but enhanced by the contrast. The architectural sets are kinder than those the same designer invented for the Glyndebourne Don Giovanni. Like his more recent ones for *Così fan tutte* they suggest stone buildings and floors rubbed and trodden by long use. The sunlit tree overhanging the courtyard gives the prisoners extra cause for short-lived wonder. There is one strange miscalculation. The dungeon scene, a descending stair so solid that it cannot be whisked away quickly enough for the last scene—there is a deflating pause (with backstage noises) that compels second thoughts about the usually indefensible practice of playing *Leonora No. 3* at this point.

Once again Hall displays his gift—doubly valuable at times when many of his colleagues, especially those who, like him, have come to opera through the prose theatre, are doing precisely the opposite, for drawing out the drama through the music. Observe his treatment of Marzelline (a nice, if not very sweetly sung performance by Elizabeth Gale) a girl who for all her worries and, if she doesn't get the supposed *Fidelio*, presumably glum future, still has time to stretch her limbs in the sunlight. This Marzelline is shattered by the revelation of *Fidelio's* identity—the producer wisely makes no attempt to sketch a reconciliation with Jaquino (Ian Caley), a bit offish but a good boy at heart, who will no doubt win Marzelline round after a time.

Observe the careful portrait of Pizarro, a cold, wily-faced, slow-moving villain commandingly on his guard—Robert Allman acting was more interesting than his fluent but too monotonously-coloured singing. Most of all mark the skilful, consistent way Hall and Miss Söderström have built up the character of Leonora/*Fidelio*, boyish enough in an unassuming, subtle manner to pass muster in male clothes and employment, but not so collusive as to necessitate an abrupt change after all becomes clear. The singer has bided her time before taking on the great role. She brings to it a degree of experience, artistry and intelligence that compensate for her being more a lyric than a dramatic soprano. The ideal fullness in the middle of the voice is lacking, but all the same she used this register to often moving effect. Like everything—Miss Söderström does, this is a complete study, thought out with the utmost care.

The Florestan is the Dutch tenor, Anton de Ridder, convincing in his concealed, gradual realisation of what is happening to him, a little over-realistic for musical comfort in suggesting vocal inhibitions caused by solitary confinement. An interesting newcomer was the Swedish bass Kurt Appelgren, whose Rocco (excellently sung) presents, with a superior kind of realism, a man not essentially bad or hopelessly venal but too easily persuaded to go along with evil authority. Michael Langdon's Don Fernando, elderly, gracious, too affable for a world full of Pizarros, was another vivid study, voiced with authority if not ideal steadiness.

Haitink's conducting had the tautness, fibre and fidelity one expects of him. No point in hoping, even with the London Philharmonic's good string section, to hear in the dry Glyndebourne orchestra pit the solid tone usually forthcoming in a major German opera house. Yet sharp light was constantly and rewardingly cast on details of Beethoven's scoring and harmony often taken for granted or glossed over. Except for a possibly accidental prominence (at least from audience left) of the bassoon line, there was no eccentricity—merely extreme and vital lucidity.

The boiling accompaniment to Pizarro's "Ho! weh' em Augeneilck!" the depth of chording in the grave-digging duet, the combination of high excitement with the utmost instrumental clarity in the "Mannlicher Freude!" must at least be mentioned. The presumably augmented Glyndebourne chorus was superb in attack both in the prisoners' chorus (no mass-anonymity but individuals, including two good

## Swiss foresight

THE HANS METTLER collection, which Christie's will auction at a gala evening sale on July 2, has remained untouched and virtually unknown for 50 years, since the last addition was made to it. The 26 works, essentially as colourists, include major paintings by the Impressionists and by early 20th-century painters—several of them acquired at the time of execution—so that the appearance and dispersal of the collection is something of an artistic as well as a saleroom event.

The collection was bought, evidently with enthusiasm and taste, over a relatively short period, between 1915 and 1929. Mettler, a Swiss, born in 1876, joined his father's textile trading firm as a junior partner, and seems to have done part of his collecting, at least, in the course of regular business trips to Paris. It is supposed that his enthusiasm was encouraged by his wife's cousin, the Haberlosers. Another notable 20th-century Swiss collector, who was buying Impressionists from about 1905.

Mettler's taste however was individual. His first purchase, in 1915, was an outstanding landscape by Ferdinand Hodler, who has only in recent years been fully recognised as the outstanding Swiss painter of the early century. This landscape of Lake Thun is characteristic of Hodler's urge to order the observed world into architecture. Mettler went on to buy two more pictures by his countryman in the following year, one of them a newly painted portrait. He continued to buy contemporaries—Kees van Dongen in 1917 and two

Bonnards in 1917. It is clear that Mettler's taste was dominated by a passionate response to colour. He clearly valued both Hodler's mystic and Odilon Redon's Symbolist (represented by three flower pieces) essentially as colourists, just as he was later to develop his enthusiasm for the Fauves. Almost his last purchases were two Dufys, bought brand new in 1929.

## COLLECTING

JANET MARSH

Mettler's first really ambitious purchase was the superb Van Gogh, "Le Allee des Alyscamps" painted near Arles in Van Gogh's annus mirabilis of 1888. The painter wrote to his brother that he thought it one of "the ones I think worth putting on stretchers." In 1918 Mettler paid the very substantial sum of SwFr 35,000, then equivalent to £1,600. The painting is likely to realise at least half a million pounds next month.

Unlike the other great European collector Robert von Hirsch, who industriously destroyed all evidence of his expenditure, Mettler carefully preserved all his bills, so that we can see exactly what he paid. The two Bonnards, for example, cost him the equivalent of £130 and £122.

Even in 1922 the FFr 50,000 equivalent to £860 he paid the Paris dealer Georges Bernheim (who writes in the postscript

terms to thank him for the honour) for Toulouse-Lautrec's "La Grande Loge" must have seemed a bargain. This beautifully red and plucky gouache is the same subject as one of Lautrec's most celebrated lithographs. Painted in 1879, the occupants of the adjacent theatre boxes are persons of rare distinction indeed. The bruiser in the silk hat, seated in the further box, is Tom, the Rothschild's coachman, whom Lautrec used to meet daily in the Irish Bar in the rue Royale. The pert-faced little creature in the butterfly hat is a demimondaine from the rue des Moulins, Emilienne d'Alençon; and the more matronly figure is Madame Armande Brazier, a one-eyed courtesan who had by this time retired from bed to become proprietress of a brasserie on rue Pigalle. "La Grande Loge" is expected to realise around a quarter of a million pounds.

Alongside his Van Gogh, Mettler's biggest outlay on a single painting was on Cézanne's "Baignade," painted in 1875-77, at the height of Impressionist enthusiasm. This vigorous little picture of nude bathers by a pool in sunlit woodland has a distinguished provenance. It was bought—or rather bartered—in 1895 from Cézanne's exhibition at the Vollard gallery by Camille Pissarro, who wrote excitedly to his son: "J'ai fait un échange de quelques petits admirables Baigneurs et d'un portrait de Cézanne pour une superbe esquisse de Louveclaire."

Pissarro's little bargain was subsequently acquired by the



Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec: La Grande Loge

novelist Octave Mirbeau. By an odd chance, Mirbeau's celebrated satirical novel *Mémoires d'une femme de chambre* was later to be filmed in Hollywood by Jean, son of Auguste Renoir, who is represented in the Mettler collection by a study of roses in a faience vase and by the enchanting "Fillette dans un jardin de Montmartre," in which the children of Renoir's neighbour in the rue Cortot, Paul Alexis, melt into the colours of the summer flowers. The Pissarro "Pommiers en fleurs a Pontoise" is an early

## CHESS

LEONARD BARDEN

EARLIER THIS year there were plans for a return of Bobby Fischer to the chess scene with a friendly match against the Yugoslav grandmaster Gligoric, an old colleague of Bobby's who had consistently urged him to come back to the tournament arena. The stake was announced as a million dollars and the plan was that if the combats was successful Fischer would then go on to a multi-million dollar encounter with Karpov.

Like so many ideas in the past seven years for bringing back Fischer, the concept foundered. The reasons are not completely clear but it seems that raising the purse

was one problem and maintaining Fischer's interest in the event a still bigger one. There have been recurring rumours in recent years that growing financial stringency, with scarcely any money-earning activities since the famous Spassky match of 1972, would force a reluctant Bobby to take some of the offers of easier challengers. But it seems that either the rumours are exaggerated or, more likely, the Fischer's unwillingness to compete in public and his fear of defeat are more compelling than even a million dollars.

While then of their main objective, the Yugoslav organizers fell back on a reserve match: a series between Gligoric, who has been his country's leading player and a world title contender for nearly 20 years, and the rising star, Ljubojevic, now ranked just below the public who initially a danger to Karpov if he can discipline a playboy temperament. The stake was \$13,000, generous for a normal match but, as Fischer would have put it, "peanuts" beside the match that never was.

Ljubojevic was generally expected to win comfortably; at 56, Gligoric's best days are behind him and in the "super-tournament" at Bugojno last year he was relegated to bottom place. But in the event, the older man did well enough to show that he would have given even Fischer a stiff fight: Ljubojevic won narrowly by 4-3 with three draws.

In another sense, both players were winners, for the strong practice left Gligoric in excellent form for the Lone Pine tournament where he shared first place while Ljubojevic began well at the World Cup in Montreal.

The large and knowledgeable Yugoslav chess public, who attended the match or followed

## BRIDGE

E. P. C. COTTER

ALTHOUGH BRIDGE is not based on mathematics, it is important for the bridge player to understand the odds applicable to his game, and to take advantage of them.

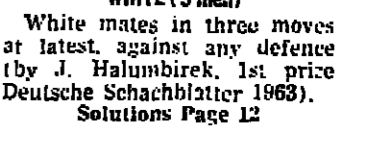
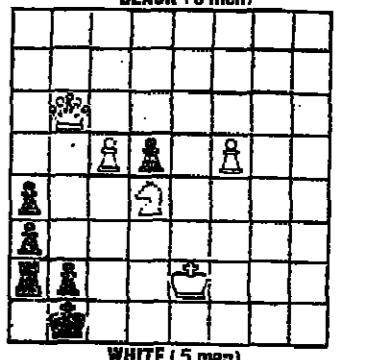
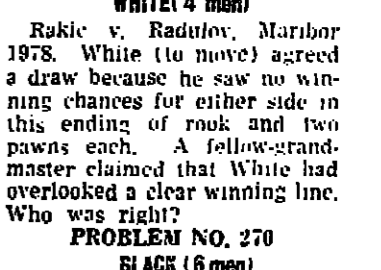
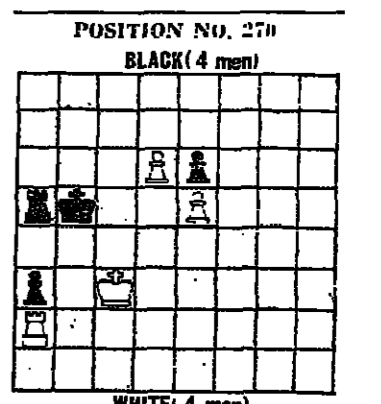
In their latest book, *Master The Odds In Bridge* (Gollancz £1.95), Terence Reese and Roger Trestel have gone a long way towards making this ques-

tion of odds intelligible to the aspiring student. Let us look at this imaginary hand:

South is playing three no trumps, and West's opening lead is the diamond six. East wins with the Ace, returning the nine, and the defenders take the first four tricks.

Now if West switches to a spade or a club, the declarer has eight top tricks can take advantage of successive chances—note this term. He tests the club and then try the heart finesse. But if West switches to a heart, declarer no longer enjoys successive chances, but is faced with alternative chances—either the heart finesse or the spade break.

Initially the spade break is only a 36 per cent chance, while the heart finesse is a 50 per cent proposition. But after the first four tricks, the chances of a spade break have improved. The fact that West led from a forward suit points to the likelihood of his hand being balanced. Furthermore, when only nine cards are left in each hand, an even distribution of the suits is more likely than

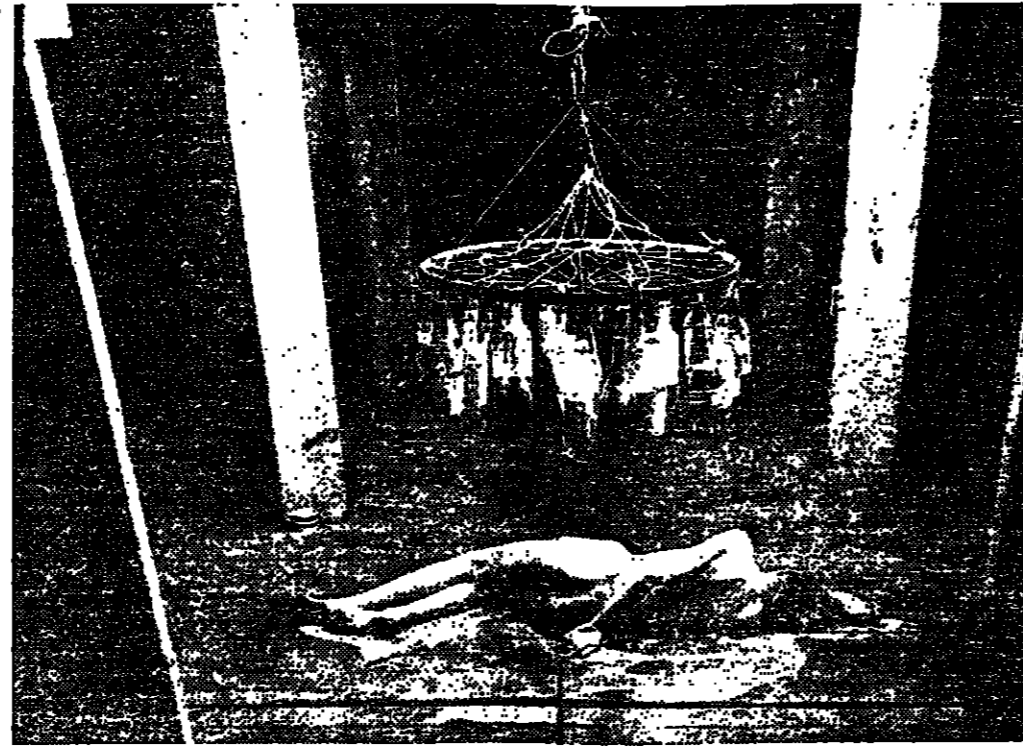


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wood and completing the set. One glorious comic sequence finds him standing where the last plank should go and stepping back off the platform...

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2.40 Racing from Thirk: 1.55 The 200th Derby preview: 2.25 and 2.55 News of the World...

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Review including Building a Library (5), 1.00 pm Shakespeare, 6.00 The London Interview, 7.00 Best Music Programme for London's Asian Community...

Orlando at Bath

Any performance of Handel's Orlando that puts one in touch with its greatness must be a performance on the right lines.

than a touch of the young Russell Oberlin about it was one of the reliable pleasures of the evening. He (and the entire cast) had been persuaded to over-decorate reprises...

OPERA MAX LOPPERT

strain in the rapid rotato, and tonal clarity even up to it. He develops the way this striking portrait suggests he should, the problem of finding a princely figure and a properly expressive alto voice for the great Senesino roles can be faced with equanimity.

liant or poignant, that light up the score, suggested that Mr. Vardigans had not yet fully mastered the long span and the fine detail of the score.

Nevertheless, Handel sounded wonderful in the Theatre Royal. So, more surprisingly, did Peter Maxwell Davies' Martyrdom of St. Magnus the next night...

Two years later, and now less under the spell of the works' ravishing timbres and lyrical vocal lines, I begin, nervously, to wonder whether it all adds up. The musical design remains as clear in cut as ever—and perhaps one should ask for no more. If one does, however, the message of the work begins to seem cloudy, and incompletely communicated.



Anne Dawson

County 4.30 Magsalve Bilbow with Cowe Up, 5.00 Concert, from John Radio 2, 6.00 Capital Radio, 6.30 am Kerry Jub's Breakfast Show, 7.00 Central, 7.15 with Peter Young, 7.30 Kenny Everett (S), 7.40 Duncan Johnson's Alarm Delight, 8.00 Greg Edwards's Soul Spectrum (S), 8.00 Nicky Horne's Six of the Best, 8.00 Mike Allen's Sunday Social (S), 8.00 am The Collection (Classical Music) (S)

WEEKEND CHOICE

SATURDAY. Be warned that starting this morning ITV are having another go at a two-hour children's blockbuster, this time called The Mersey Pirate. They've never yet managed to match the BBC's success with Multicoloured Swap Shop...

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SUNDAY. Music for all tastes on ITV tonight: at 6.10 half of Elgar's Dream of Gerontius with Janet Baker in the part of The Angel. Then, after a European party political, Petula Clark took the bill in Eurogala at 7.15, a programme which also features Yehudi Menuhin, the Royal Ballet and The Circus of Europe!—C.D.

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# The priorities are clear

NEXT WEEK the British people—or probably a small minority of them—will elect their representatives in the European Parliament. The fact which has at least driven the parties to think harder than usual about Europe. Five days later, Sir Geoffrey Howe will introduce his first Budget; and about a fortnight after that, Mrs. Thatcher will join the economic summit in Tokyo. These international preoccupations, made immensely more urgent by the oil crisis, should mean that the new Government's policies are being formed in a much more outward-looking way than usual.

Indeed, the international priorities are not only pressing, but they are rather clearer than the short-term priorities for the home economy. Recent information about the home economy has been patchy, and what there is has been distorted by winter disruption and the subsequent rebound, and by a retail boom which reflects partly wage inflation, and partly anticipation of higher prices and indirect taxes. Demand management in the usual sense is hard to operate in such circumstances, when nobody can be confident about the current growth rate or how long it will last. The wide range of possible interpretations of current statistics made clear by the publication this week of the National Institute forecast, which in past years was thought to be an echo of the Treasury view. This time the unofficial forecast appears to be much more optimistic than the official view.

### Fog of uncertainty

This fog of uncertainty around the usual "Budget judgement" is likely to prove a timely-disguised blessing, for it leaves the Government free to concentrate on longer-term strategic issues. It is in this light that the present reports of the expenditure-cutting exercise in the Cabinet should be viewed. If this were simply a desperate attempt to create room for some tax cuts early in fulfilment of election promises, it would be a nine-day wonder; but there is a good deal to suggest that what we are seeing is a determined effort to make cash limits stick despite immoderate wage settlements.

This is a central element in the whole change of direction which Mrs. Thatcher is trying to achieve—the proof of Milton Friedman's proposition that there is an such thing as a free lunch. It is a healthy start.

However, the Treasury forecast of the borrowing requirement as given to Parliament by Mr. Denis Healey in his shadow role, not to mention later

estimates, suggests that expenditure cuts will not of themselves be enough to finance tax cuts, or even obviate the need for higher revenue. In looking for further cuts, and choosing the base for revenue, the Chancellor must be thinking in a partly international setting.

There is a clear need, for the sake of the whole world economy, to economise in energy and encourage substitution away from oil. For the longer term, Sir Geoffrey has already expressed his shock at the estimated British contribution to the EEC—which not only adds to the borrowing requirement, but is easily the most unpopular element in it.

### Price mechanism

It seems clear, then, that in looking for tax increases which will help to pay for direct tax reductions and contain the borrowing requirement, Sir Geoffrey will look particularly closely at oil, and perhaps energy in general. All indirect tax increases raise the cost of living—and may, as the National Institute points out, help to inflate wage demands. Taxes on energy, which are an obviously appropriate response to the present crisis, and use the price mechanism to relieve it, would be attractive at present whatever the financial context; to a Chancellor seeking to shift the burden of direct taxes, they should be irresistible—and a useful example to one or two other countries.

The oil crisis also has one other implication. It is helping to make sterling stronger at the moment, and prospectively adds largely to the balance of payments implications of the North Sea. The danger of a rise in sterling which would put an intolerable squeeze on industrial margins—a possibility which is clearly worrying the equity market—is becoming more pressing, and an early and significant relaxation of exchange controls is another clear priority.

### Should stimulate

The Tokyo summit will be concerned not only with oil, but with the possibility that the present crisis will lead to a worldwide recession; and in this context, a Budget which is in any way deflationary may well come in for criticism. The Government should have a clear answer to any critics, at home or abroad: a relief from financial crowding out, and from the burden of unproductive expenditure, should stimulate the economy rather than depress it.

Rigorous pursuit of the long-term priorities should be good news for the short term, too.

## ENERGY SUPPLIES

SEVENTY-SEVEN per cent of the American public, according to the latest Gallup Poll, do not believe the energy crisis is real. They are convinced that the long lines at the petrol pumps in California and some eastern cities and the one-third increase in the price of a gallon is a concoction of the oil companies wanting higher profits, or of their own federal government, or even both working together. Occasionally, but much less so than in 1973-74, they blame the Arabs.

It is true that Americans are buying more smaller, often foreign, cars which use less fuel and, as was demonstrated by the Memorial Day holiday last weekend, even driving less without discomfort. But what is more true is that they are craving for an explanation of what is going on. Lacking it, they are suspending belief that the problem is real and looking for scapegoats to point at in the meanwhile.

It is against this background, for the existence of which he must be held at least partly responsible, that President Carter is trying to forge an energy policy which not only meets America's needs but also spares the rest of the world from the excess of U.S. consumption. A major element of that policy began to take effect only yesterday when the first stage of his phased decontrol of domestic oil prices was

### WHY THE U.S. MATTERS

1. America is by far the world's largest energy and oil consumer. In 1978, it accounted for 38 per cent of total free world oil consumption (excluding OPEC).
2. Americans are the world's greediest oil consumers. Demand last year for oil products per head population was more than double that in Britain, 85 per cent higher than in West Germany and Japan, and 38 per cent above Sweden.
3. The U.S. is the world's biggest oil importer. Even though well over half the oil it consumes is domestically produced, it absorbed the equivalent of 28 per cent of total OPEC oil exports last year.
4. America's imports have been growing rapidly. In the four years 1974-78, U.S. oil imports expanded by 33 per cent at a time when imports into some major countries (Japan, Germany, France, Italy) were declining. This partly reflects the strength of the American economy; partly the slowdown in the rate at which new American oil production has been coming on stream.

instituted. But for every piece of the jigsaw that he has managed to put in place, matching elements are missing—indeed it is at least conceivable that even the decontrol plan could be reversed by the Congress.

Last year's Energy Act typically gave Mr. Carter half a loaf: he finally obtained the gradual removal of restrictions on natural gas prices. But he was denied the well-held tax on crude oil. Congress enacted modest proposals to encourage the use of coal, but did not

# Price decontrol: why the industry is keeping its head down

BY DAVID LASCELLES IN NEW YORK

There may be some big fields offshore, but costs there are huge.

According to the American Petroleum Institute, the industry's trade association, U.S. proven oil reserves fell by 1.7bn barrels last year to 27.8bn despite the second-highest drilling activity on record. This is enough for 81 years at current production rates.

Even so, oil prospects exist. The American Association of Petroleum Geologists estimates that reserves could be raised to as much as 100bn barrels, enough for 30-40 years at present production rates. But to achieve these figures, says the AAPG, reserve additions must be increased by 50 per cent a year; for every two barrels of oil being found today, the industry must find three.

The AAPG also points out that billions of barrels are potentially available if the oil

companies had the funds to invest in more sophisticated recovery techniques. Oil is not lacking, the oilmen claim, only the money to produce it.

Commented one leading petroleum geologist: "I'd say that Alaska was the juiciest piece of real estate in the world today."

The oil industry has been careful, however, not to raise extravagant hopes. The best the U.S. can hope for, its spokesmen warn, is a small improvement in production. Some companies even rule that out, claiming that the country should expect no more than a slower worsening of the situation.

Last year, U.S. oil companies spent just over \$20bn on exploration and production. According to the AAPG, they would have to spend half as much again to check the decrease in capacity, and \$40bn, to get production up to its maximum. These huge sums,

but the House of Representatives, at its most parochial and confused, denied him even this residual authority.

And yet it may be this very multiplicity of tools—some in the President's hands, some in the lap of Congress, some relying on the price mechanism, some on tax—which contribute to the public bewilderment. This is a country which has always possessed the capacity to energise itself in pursuit of a perceived goal, but nobody has yet satisfactorily identified the target.

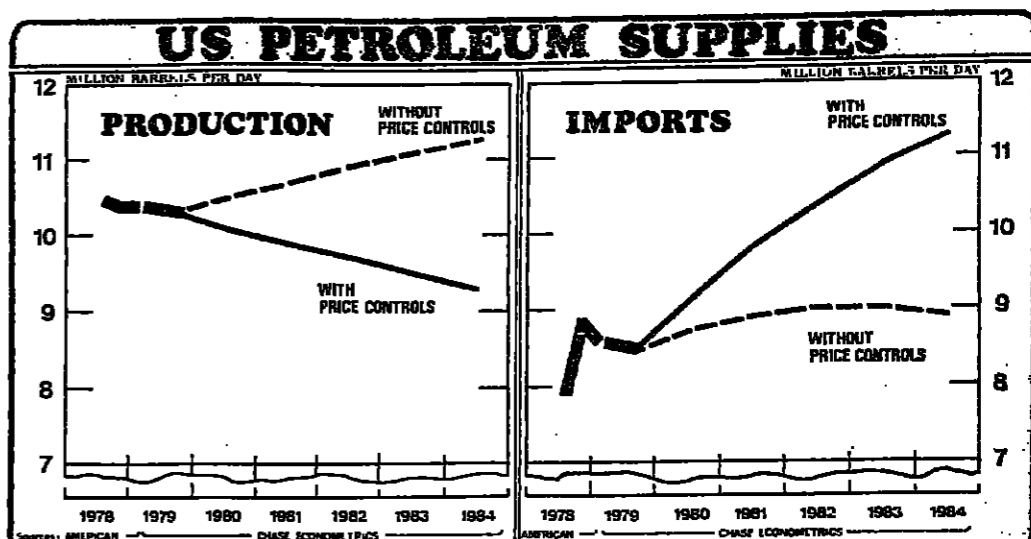
More over, the U.S. is currently in something of a mean-spirited mood: Jody Powell, the President's Press Secretary, described it the other day as an attitude of "me first, last and always; give me nine and to hell with the rest of the country." This is overstated, perhaps, but hardly a day goes by without some special interest group "demanding" this or that of the President or the Congress.

Mr. Carter has had to say so often that he has got himself into deep political hot water. His perceived neglect of traditional democratic constituencies has made all the more alluring the alternative candidacy of Senator Edward Kennedy, whose own constituency as a liberal and a north-easterner is much narrower than the President's. Mr. Kennedy, at least, has the virtue of being

consistent to his beliefs, which is more than can be said for many of his colleagues who, lacking decisive guidance from either the Congressional hierarchy or from the White House, have found it simpler to take the side of partial to deny less influential supplicants (witness the cuts in the Foreign Aid Bill, for example).

But a President, America likes to think, is supposed sometimes to rise above the battle. Prisoner of circumstance though he may be (even to the extent of having to rely on the oil industry for energy data), Mr. Carter has, by common agreement, not helped his own and the nation's cause by neglecting fully to use the educative powers of the presidency. He, too, has seemed prone to the national vice of scapegoat-hunting, though this week, at his White House energy "talk-in" and in discussions with Congress, the approach was conciliatory.

Diagnosis has never been a problem for Mr. Carter: conveying it to the public has proved much more difficult. He said on Tuesday he thought the public was beginning to get "aroused" about energy; according to Gallup only 23 per cent are sufficiently aroused to believe the problem is real, and the U.S. Congress is nothing if not close to the public.



available only if oil price decontrol goes through without a windfall profits tax.

A calculation of the broader impact of decontrol has been made by Chase Econometrics, the forecasting subsidiary of the Chase Manhattan Bank. Its study estimates that decontrol would raise U.S. oil production by 2m b/d by 1984 (or just under one fifth) to 11.3m b/d provided all the extra revenue from decontrol is ploughed straight back into exploration and production. By that year, the U.S. would be importing 2.4m barrels a day fewer than without decontrol, at an annual saving of \$25.2bn.

The study also notes that reduced U.S. demand would soften the world market and lead to slower OPEC price increases. So decontrol would not only help the U.S. by bringing demand closer in line with supply; it would aid the inter-

national economy too.

The oil industry itself has been more cautious about the likely benefits of decontrol, not because it doubts that higher prices will bring more oil, but because it fears that a suspicious public will hold it to whatever forecasts it makes.

An executive from one of the oil majors commented: "It is not as if a 50 per cent increase in oil prices will lead to a given increase in oil production; we still have to go out and find the stuff, and that's always a gamble."

So rather than promise more oil, the oil companies have confined themselves to pledging that they will invest every cent they can in exploration and production—as they claim always to have done.

This arguably prudent approach has not, however, satisfied the public—even though there is already evidence that last year's decontrol of natural

gas prices brought a surge in gas exploration. Led by Mr. Carter himself, most people in the U.S. do not trust the oil companies to invest their profits in new production without supervision. So even though the oil companies expect to lose most of their extra earnings to the windfall profits tax, they also face the prospect of close public scrutiny of the way they spend whatever is left.

This angers the oil companies, who feel they are already being suffocated by government regulation (indeed, they look forward to deregulation as much for the freedom from bureaucratic interference it will bring as for its financial implications). They also strongly resent charges that they make excess profits, pointing to studies by investment analysts which show that the average rate of return in the petroleum industry has been at or below that of industry as a whole for many years.

## Letters to the Editor

### Cars

From Mr. D. Grew.  
Sir—John Philip's insurance article (May 26) raises an interesting question.  
I think it most unlikely that the cost of claims arising directly from inadequate DIY servicing could prove to be a significant proportion of total claims, and justify an increased premium. The danger I do foresee, if insurers include a question about servicing on proposal forms, is that they may discover that "unofficially" serviced cars, taken as a class, are actually less profitable to cover: there could be any number of possible reasons, some relating to drivers rather than cars.  
The normal reaction would then be to raise premiums on this class of vehicle, so that it is no longer "subsidised" by other premium income. My purpose in writing is to suggest that in the longer term, such a redistribution of premiums could be against the interest of insurance companies, and society in general.  
Many of these cars are not tax-deductible. Their owners cannot afford garage bills, and rely on DIY or freelance help servicing them on the road.  
Sir—As Peter Riddell pointed out in his excellent article (May 26), public expenditure is likely to be the key to Sir Geoffrey Howe's first Budget, and significant cuts in public expenditure appear to be being considered if the new Government's economic strategy is to be implemented.  
It seems almost inconceivable, however, that a sufficiently detailed and well thought out package of expenditure cuts of sufficient size to fit the requirements of financial targets and promised tax cuts could have been drawn up since the election. The worry must be that political expediency will once again lead to postponement—which means cuts of long term, and in most cases, well justified, capital expenditure as part of the overall package.  
The growth of public expenditure this decade can be traced

entirely to the boom in current expenditure on wages, grants and subsidies, and it seems logical enough that restraint should be directed in this area. But whenever any restraint of public expenditure was required by previous Governments, it was the capital expenditure programmes—and particularly construction projects—which had to bear the brunt of the cuts. As a result public expenditure is now absurdly out of balance and an early aim of the new Government must surely be to restore priority to long term capital projects.  
The construction industry has fought a long campaign to focus attention on this problem and on the effect that short sighted political expediency has had on construction programmes and on the industry.  
The first major economic test of the new Government will be to see if it can bring public expenditure down to the level it desires without resorting to the "soft-option" cuts in capital expenditure favoured by its predecessor.  
John Huxtable,  
376, Grays Inn Road, W.C1.

### The Times

From the Managing Director and Chief Executive, Times Newspapers  
Sir—With reference to your report (May 31) under the heading "Dividing line between unions to be blurred by technology," there are several references to the Times Newspapers dispute. Of course, Mr. Dobbins is correct in saying that the unions must work out their own agreements for new technology. But Mr. Harry Urwin is not correct in stating that the Times Newspapers' battle was an example of a failure of management to secure trade union co-operation. It was a failure of the unions to respond to the management's suggestion that they should co-operate.  
We announced our plans publicly in May, 1976. Every member of staff and all unions

had had copies of this plan. Before this announcement we discussed them individually with every general secretary of every union. We then discussed them collectively with all the general secretaries as it has always been our view that the matter should best be resolved by joint discussions with all unions. Indeed, on November 10, 1978, Mr. Nisbet-Smith made the following proposition to the National Graphical Association: "The company further gives the assurance until further notice that any agreement on direct inputting from sources other than the NGA will not be implemented without the fullest consultation with the NGA, and the prior agreement of all the parties. In giving these assurances, the company will initiate discussions with the national officers of all the parties concerned with the object of achieving their joint agreement to the principle and practice of single keystroking in Times Newspapers. Unhappily the NGA refused to accept this proposal."  
Mr. Urwin also goes on to state that they are entitled to demand guarantees that people will not be thrown on the scrap heap. That is precisely the guarantee that Times Newspapers have given, and on which we have never deviated. Those who do not wish to take voluntary redundancy can stay. In other words, we have consistently followed the line that these two speakers recommend, i.e. that there should be joint discussions with the unions, and that no one should be thrown on the scrap heap. Times Newspapers, New Printing House Square, W.C1.

### Learning

From Mr. P. Stewart  
Sir—Having suffered the hell of a traditional Latin course at school I nevertheless agree with Malcolm Rutherford (May 21): a knowledge of Latin is invaluable.

But what killed compulsory Latin was the crass insistence that pupils must write as well as read it—and write in a style that died long before the Roman Empire. A modern Latin course would teach children to read fluently with the help of a dictionary and no more. Only the keenest and ablest students should go on to write. And the reading matter should be of all periods: Newton and Carmina Burana and the Vulgate as well as Virgil and Caesar.

May I add that we also need to see much more Greek taught in schools—and that this should be even easier to make interesting for the young.  
Philip J. Stewart,  
(Lecturer in Forest Economics),  
St. Cross College,  
Oxford.

### Latin

From Mr. J. Blundell  
Sir—If Robert Flavell (May 24) had the benefit of having studied Latin he might have avoided writing "the interest and motivation to learn is absent."  
James Blundell,  
Warrendale,  
Mossley,  
Congleton, Cheshire.

### Furniture

From the Director, Furniture Industry Research Association  
Sir—As director of this research arm of the domestic furniture industry, the Minister for Consumer Affairs' announcement (May 24) regarding new safety regulations for upholstered furniture does cause me some concern.  
Labelling to warn the consumer that, if caught in a fire, such furniture does burn and is therefore just one of the many hazards in a home a person has to guard against, must be a matter for industry and Government to resolve. But from my deep practical experience there are many and complex problems

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# The homecoming of the Pope

By PAUL BETTS in Rome and ANTHONY ROBINSON and CHRISTOPHER BOBINSKI in Warsaw



Pope John Paul

**Y**ARDINALE WYSZYNSKI, Primate of Poland, exclaimed: "The election of Polish Pope is a miracle." Msgr. Karol Wojtyla, Cardinal-Bishop of Cracow, was claimed Pope. "Having him in Poland is an even greater miracle," Father Andrej Bardecki, the Pope's close friend and collaborator for 30 years, said this week.

Bardecki was echoing sentiments of millions of Poles who will place today with the val in Warsaw of the first ever to visit Poland and the first ever to visit a Communist state.

The formal invitation was by the Polish episcopate, Poland has no diplomatic relations with the Holy See. But of the Pope's first duties be to call on the Head of Mr. Henryk Jablonski, the Secretary of the Communist Party. Mr. Edward Ok, and other state and

party leaders at the Belvedere Palace before going on to celebrate mass at a huge open air ceremony in Victory Square.

Workmen have been labouring all week to erect a massive altar in the square which now harbours the tomb of the Unknown Warrior, but was once the site of a huge Russian Orthodox church built under Russian occupation of Poland in the 18th century. It was demolished soon after Poland regained independence after the first World War. Throughout the occupation and many others during Poland's 1,000-year history, the Church kept alive Polish culture and Polish Catholicism.

After 35 years of Communist rule the popular appeal of the Church is undiminished. Millions of Poles await the papal visit with excited expectation, mixed with official nervousness and fervent hopes on all sides that nothing untoward will mar what is a truly historic moment—for Poland, the Church and relations between Catholics and Marxists world-wide.

The visit marks perhaps the climax of what has been a most extraordinary year in the history of the Roman Catholic Church. The seven months of Pope John Paul have proved remarkable. His popularity seemingly knows no bounds. The Communist Mayor of Rome was forced to write to the Vatican last month to ask it to do something about the traffic jams which the Pope's public appearances cause every week.

Romans call him "il papa superstar," and since his accession there has been an astonishing religious revival in Italy, which is bound to have an effect in the elections this weekend. In the Pope uses his popularity and his moral authority to great effect. He is also at heart a conservative in theological and doc-

trinal matters. In recent weeks, he has taken a firm stand supporting the Church's traditional views on abortion and priestly celibacy. But he is also a Christian humanist and tends to speak more about man than God. Indeed, in his first encyclical, *Redemptor Humanis*, the emphasis is squarely placed on human rights and the dignity of man.

In a sense, he combines his own remarkable qualities with those of two predecessors, the visionary revolutionary John XXIII and Paul VI, whose names he chose when he was elected. In his unique position as a product of a socialist country, he has repeatedly denounced not only oppressive totalitarian regimes, but also the failings of consumer societies.

He has shown great capacity for compromise. In Mexico, at the last Latin American Episcopal Conference, he criticised the left wing militant priests and their so-called theology of liberation, but at the same time defended the rights of the poor and the oppressed. In Rome, he has worked towards a reconciliation with Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, the traditionalist rebel French prelate.

It is no great secret that the U.S. view the Pope's homecoming as perhaps the most significant event in recent years to help accelerate the process of détente between East and West. Only four days ago, Mr. Cyrus Vance, the U.S. Secretary of State, was received by the Pope in private audience in Rome.

The Pope has shown understanding of the difficulties in which his election and his visit have placed the Polish and Soviet authorities. He has handled the affair with tact, compromising over the date, as the Polish authorities were worried about his original intention to return for the 900th anniversary celebrations of St. Stanislaw, the Polish patron saint and symbol of the independence of the Polish Church.

In a further gesture designed in part to appease the apprehensions of the Communist governments of eastern Europe, he appointed as his Secretary of State Msgr. Agostino Casaroli, the patient and respected arbiter of the Vatican's Ostpolitik. He was appointed under the late Pope Paul VI. In so doing, he indicated on the surface at least, that he did not intend to conduct personally, as some Communist governments originally feared, the Vatican's complex relations with the Communist world. In turn, he has also demonstrated he does not plan to bring about any radical changes in Vatican diplomacy, but to continue along the broad lines of his predecessors.

The immediate objective of this policy is reconciliation. Msgr. Casaroli, who is to be elevated to Cardinal later this month, described some years ago the aim of his bridge-building efforts with governments essentially opposed to religion. "It is necessary that the methods... should be such as not to make it impossible to attain the essential aim of the Holy

Sees pacifying action of concord." The Vatican has usually fought tooth and nail until the opponent is inside the walls; then it has been prepared to compromise. In Poland, where the Communist authorities have had to come to terms with the Church rather than the other way round, the Vatican is more than ever in a strong position when striking its compromise.

In Poland both Church and State hope that the Papal visit will help the search for a mutually satisfactory modus vivendi, one which will allow the Church to continue making pastoral gains and the Communist Party to lead the state.

After the harsh repression of the post-war Stalinist years the Church has grown steadily in strength and self-confidence. The Renaissance soires or Baroque grandeur of Catholic Churches pierce the skyline of town and country throughout Poland. Mass is celebrated everywhere to packed congregations. Children voluntarily through Catechism classes.

Law Catholic associations like the Club of Catholic Intellectuals thrive. Under the de facto pluralism created by a powerful Church counter-weight to State and party, Poles have created their own intellectual and cultural freedom. Although it is not reflected in the State-controlled media, independent minded Poles have created their own alternative culture through so-called flying universities and an active and varied student movement. It includes Christian strains and a typically astringent brand of political and social wit and criticism.

In the dark years of Nazi oppression priests were killed in their thousands, seminaries disbanded and men like Karol Wojtyla and millions of other Poles were sent to forced labour. The Church continued its stub-

born defence of Christian values and Polish culture. It kept up this defence after the formation of a Communist State.

In the intervening period Poland has been transformed. During the last decade especially the rapid industrialisation initiated by Mr. Giersek has endowed Poland with modern mines, factories and shipyards but also \$15bn of foreign debt and a taste for good quality food and consumer goods which is far from being satisfied. Now Poles face a possibly lengthy period of retrenchment and austerity. Having claimed exclusive credit for progress, the Communist Party now bears the brunt of disappointed hopes.

In 1958, 1970 and 1976 Poles rose in anger against their Government. In all cases the Church played a key role in calming inflamed spirits.

As a result the Church is strong in the knowledge that it cannot only live with Marxism but concentrate on its spiritual and pastoral mission. Cardinal Wyszyński has led the Church throughout these difficult years. But the Pope, as Archbishop, shared this experience to the full. Now he has been called upon to give universality to this experience; that is the heart of the matter as far as eastern Europe in particular is concerned.

In spite of complaints from the Church hierarchy about the refusal of the authorities to allow the Pope to visit the industrial heartland of Silesia and suspicions that by delaying decisions on television coverage and extra transport facilities they are trying to limit the crowds, Poles and the faithful from neighbouring Communist countries are expected to flock in their millions to the ceremonies. Audiences throughout eastern Europe—and especially in neighbouring Lithuania, western Ukraine, East Germany and Czechoslovakia should be



Villagers preparing a wooden cross at Kalwaria monastery in readiness for the Pope's visit on June 7.

## Weekend Brief

**W**ith a year after being thrust into the role of reluctant capitalist, the directors of Atcoats—once part of the Lyons property empire—afford a minor celebration. On March 30, they repaid the tranche of the company's 800 overdraft at the Mid-Bank. And on April 28 began repaying the 800 loan raised through the North Central to finance their purchase of the last year.

Most corporate treasurers, amounts involved may be small. But to Atcoats, a rural farm maker based in bridge Wells, they represent a large measure of faith, company, which began life as a building contractor in 1949, and more than its fair share of the past four years.

Ironically, it was the part of the Lyons group to adding profitably when the came.

At year after months of uncertainty, the liquidator of the group accepted an offer the directors and the coal pension fund which gave directors a 51.6 per cent

some of them, the deal taking over a second year on their homes. But if, indeed, gamble appears to have paid 70-tax profits for the 12 months to September 1978 were 300 compared with 200 for the previous 12 months. The turnover was £12.5m and with £13.4m.

A current year has started mainly because of the winter in Scotland. In the order book is at a £8m. The chairman, Down, expects both sales production to pick up as the summer sun shines, as the sun shines, id.

order book is partly satisfying for the any which had to run hard the Lyons crash to find new. Says Down: "There is an even greater awareness a survive one has to sell." more important, perhaps, effect that the crash and subsequent takeover by us has had on the management.

of the improved effort doubt due to the profit scheme introduced by directors even before they red control. Says Stubbs: 1977, the first year, the (which averages two pay) came as a bit of a. But this year the staff believed that it was going to continue.

the reorganisation, board is not looking forward just yet. It is quite to rebuild the foundation that slipped during the crash. However, markets have already dictated a away from agricultural (which the company to make in 1983 in its first into manufacturing) industry.

what of the immediate? Peter Down, who joined company as a foreman 28

## Sparks of interest

**A**s the world's motorists face another weekend of reduced petrol supplies, perhaps one of the more potentially cheerful places to stop off for lunch yesterday was London's Connaught Rooms, where the Electric Vehicle Association was having its annual jamboree. Most years this event is full more of hope than sales as far as the general consumer is concerned (there has long been a large hidden business in commercial vehicles) with much talk of exotic experiments and trial purchases. Could the tide now be on the turn?

Well, there's not much to report on the search for a new magic power source, although efforts to find energy for satellite-based laser beams may speed things along. But there is lots of optimism about public willingness now to think in terms of the range and speeds which electric vehicles of the moment can provide. Since most of us will not drive much more than 25-30 miles a day this weekend, and certainly not at high speeds, the electric vehicle is ideal for the task. Only in a three-car family could there be any prospect of a queue for the power socket.

Even now, however, electric power on the actual streets of our cities, other than on milk floats, is not just talk. American television has suddenly discovered a fleet of British-made electric trucks working happily in the San Francisco suburbs for the American postal service. Harbuit, the privately owned manufacturer in Market Harborough, Leicestershire, won the contract for the job after putting one truck on show at an exhibition. So successful were the vehicles that the U.S. wanted more, and since Harbuit could not supply sufficient numbers the UK company did not even bid. The U.S.-made vehicles that were bought instead have not been the success of their British forebears and now eyes are turning to this side of the Atlantic again.

Harbuit still says it could not handle orders above the 35 so it first supplied but would love to supply the know-how if someone else would do the manufacturing. The Danes also have a small fleet on trial so they could be quite a lot at stake.

Meanwhile the EVA itself is finding its life living up and the newly formed Electric Vehicle Development Group, a co-ordinating body aimed at being an information swap-shop and headed by Sir Daniel Pettit of the National Freight Corporation and Angus Munn of the Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive, is getting a flood of membership requests. Perhaps the quiet revolution is upon us after all.

## Old stories—new twist

**N**ot many people who take their ideas for new magazines along to W. H. Smith are given much encouragement at all. Few indeed share the experience of John Cogle, who was advised to print four times as many copies as he was proposing.

His idea—a magazine for collectors, called *Antique Machines*—hits the bookshelves next month at 85p a copy. The first issue features in colour the original tea-making machines; ingenious mechanical contrivances of copper which date back to the turn of the century; when a Birmingham gunsmith patented an elegant array of springs and levers driven by an alarm clock. By 1904 it was being advertised as "invaluable to ladies, nurses, professional and businessmen" and different models were selling for between 25 and 70 shillings. According to Christies, if one should reach the sale-room today it could fetch between 250 and £150.

John Cogle's idea is rooted in the conviction that a lot needs to be done to heighten the interest of the more thoughtful among us in engineers and their brainchildren. (He doesn't have too much faith that the Firm's inquiry into the engineering profession will bring about any drastic change in the way British people confuse engineers with garage mechanics). He wants to rekindle curiosity about the skills, craftsmanship and artistry that made British engineering world-famous. And he talks sadly of his own modern

## Night of the big punch

**W**hatever the outcome of today's heavyweight boxing clash between Big John Tate of the U.S., and South Africa's Kallie Knoetze, one party is set to be a winner: the Republic of Bophuthatswana. With 500m viewers lined up to watch television coverage of the clash, billed as an eliminator for the world's heavyweight title of Muhammad Ali, boxing seems set to win some recognition for South Africa's second independent tribal homeland, which diplomacy has signally failed to do.

The setting, in the homeland capital of Mmabatho, is certainly unprepossessing. It consists of no more than a football stadium, a newly-built hotel and casino (the key attraction), some pre-fabricated government buildings, and a few low-cost housing developments. Not to mention a garage and the Taj Mahal restaurant. But promoter Mr. Bov Arum, whose Top Rank organisation currently dominates world boxing, is expecting 40,000 spectators to converge on what is little more than a rural slum. The gate should produce a world record R500,000 (US\$90,000), with considerably more coming in from the television rights.

"We are going to put Bophuthatswana (pronounced Bo-poo-ta-tswana) on the map," says Mr. Donnie Anderson, Tate's Kentucky-born business manager. But he is not concerned about the politics, just Tate's R350,000 (U.S.\$413,000) purse, and all the lucrative spin-off from such a massive television audience.

"We had never heard of the place before. But Kallie had

## Economic Diary

**T**ODAY—Pope John Paul II starts an eight-day official visit to Poland.

**SUNDAY**—Italian general election. Bakers Union conference opens Blackpool (until June 8).

**MONDAY**—Italian general election. Lord Armstrong, Midland Bank chairman, gives Institute of Directors lecture on a more logical way of presenting the nation's budget. 50p levy applied to U.K. securities transactions. Crown Agents Tribunal resumes. UK May official reserves published. CBI Monthly Trends Inquiry (May). Investment intentions of the manufacturing, distributive and service industries (1979 and 1980). Capital issues and redemptions (during the month of May). Stock Exchange turnover figures published.

**TUESDAY**—Mrs. Thatcher, the Prime Minister, flies to Paris for talks with French Government. Mr. Gordon Richardson, Governor of the Bank of England, speaks at annual lunch of Food and Drink Industries Council. London. Lloyd's seminar on Bill of Lading Conventions. World Airports conference. London (until June 7). Retail sales (April, final). Hire purchase and other instalment credit business (April) London clearing banks' monthly statement (mid-May). UK banks' eligible liabilities, reserve assets, reserve ratios and special deposits (mid-May). Annual meeting. Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales.

**WEDNESDAY**—Derby Day (12:00). Post Office statement on postal and telecommunications codes of practice. EEC-City workshop on trade links, at Little Ship Club UK balance of payments (first quarter).

**THURSDAY**—European Parliamentary elections. Power and engineering workers resume pay talks. Housing starts and completions for April. Provisional figures of vehicle production for May. Survey of short-term export prospects (to the end of 1979).

**FRIDAY**—Department of Industry publishes company liquidity survey for first quarter.

**SATURDAY**—National Association of Local Government Officers conference opens, Blackpool (until June 15).

## Marriott opens 3 new luxury hotels in the Middle East

Award-winning international hotel company opens its doors in Kuwait and in Dhahran and Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.



Marriott, which already has hotels in the U.S., Europe, and Mexico, is now offering its distinctive brand of hospitality in the Middle East.

The flavor at the new hotels is Middle Eastern. But the efficiency and service are American. And superbly Marriott.

Marriott's hotels in the U.S. have achieved the highest occupancy in the hotel industry. The Mobil Travel Guide, the most trusted American travel guidebook, has given its prestigious "Superior" award to more hotels of Marriott than to those of any other hotel company.

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**Marriott Hotels.**  
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UK COMPANY NEWS

Prospects for Cope Sportswear

First quarter loss was suffered by Cope Sportswear in 1979, says Mr. Sydney Cope, the chairman...

Scottish Aviation

The Government has authorised a further compensation payment on account of £1.05m for Scottish Aviation...

RESULTS AND ACCOUNTS IN BRIEF

COMPAG HOLDINGS (property investment and development)—Pre-tax profit for year to September 28, 1978, £3,943 (£28,455)...

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK'S COMPANY NEWS

Take-over bids and deals

Sheepbridge Engineering advised its shareholders to accept Guest Keen and Nettlefolds' all-equity offer of two ordinary GKN shares for every five Sheepbridge shares...

Table with columns: Company bid for, Value of bid per share, Price before bid, Value of bid per share, Final Acct'ce date

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INTERIM STATEMENTS

Table with columns: Company, Half-year, Pre-tax profit (£000), Interim dividends per share (p)

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Table with columns: Company, Year to, Pre-tax profit (£000), Earnings per share (p), Dividends per share (p)

Rights Issues

Joseph Causton: One-for-three at 36p. London Investment Trust: Three-for-two after capital reduction...

Script Issues

East Midlands Allied Press: One 'A' ordinary for every three ordinary 'A' ordinary...

APPOINTMENTS

Coombs Borland restructured

A GROUP of stockbrokers, formerly with W. I. Carr, have taken over the broking firm of Coombs Borland...

Jarvis joins Ladbroke Group Board

Mr. John Jarvis, chairman and managing director of the hotels and holidays division of Ladbrokes...

TRAVIS & ARNOLD LIMITED

National distributors of timber, building materials, plumbing and central heating equipment to the construction and allied trades.

Extracts from the Chairman's statement year ended December 31st 1978. Profits: The Group achieved pre-tax profits of £4,692,000...

TRM-CONSULATE (shirt and tie manufacturer)—Results for 1978, and prospects, reported May 29...

BROOKS GROUP OF COMPANIES (electronic security equipment)—Results reported March 28...

ALGINATE (industrial)—Results for 1978 and details of proposed offers for group already reported...

FRENCH NIER HOLDINGS (civil engineering contractor)—Results reported May 15...

SOUTHERN CONSTRUCTIONS (HOLDINGS)—Results for 1978, reported on March 21...

PARY—Results for year to March 31, 1978, reported May 22...

SUNLIGHT SERVICE GROUP (laundries)—Results for 1978 reported March 20...

MORGAN GUARANTY, the Eurobond underwriter and trading subsidiary of Morgan Guaranty International Finance Corporation...

MR. C. J. FRANCIS has been appointed general manager elect of FEDERATED INSURANCE COMPANY.

MR. DICK VERDOES, former head of drilling with Shell (UK), has joined the SMEDVIG organisation as senior drilling consultant.

MR. TONY DARLING has been appointed director of sales with Bedford-based SIMPLEX MECHANICAL HANDLING COMPANY...

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PROMISED IRISH PETROL VOUCHERS FAIL TO APPEAR

MOTORISTS FROM Britain were involved in angry scenes at Dun Laoghaire in the Irish Republic yesterday as they drove off a British Rail ferry without promised petrol vouchers...

The voucher system, promising up to 20 gallons of petrol for visitors to Ireland, which is short of fuel, was to have begun operating yesterday.

However, passengers on the early-morning ferry from Holyhead found no guarantee of fuel and complained bitterly to police.

Later, Bord Failte, the Irish Tourist Board, said that the ferry motorists would be able to get vouchers from its offices in Dun Laoghaire or Dublin.

The plan was to distribute vouchers at ferry departure points in Britain and on the Continent. Up to 70 nominated garages are to co-operate in the scheme.

Queues for petrol at garages in the Republic stretched for miles as drivers tried to avoid the prospect of a stay-at-home White weekend, a holiday in Ireland.

More arguments took place between queuing drivers and householders who discovered entrances to their homes blocked by cars.

Mr. Peter Nicholson Smith has been appointed managing director of ENNIA INSURANCE COMPANY (UK) in succession to Mr. D. E. Whittingham.

RACAL CARLTON has appointed Mr. Colin Read as production director.

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Total Assets at 31st March 1979: £41.9 million.

Net Assets per Ordinary Share, F.T.-A. All Share Index, Price per Share, Retail Price Index, Gross Dividends per Share, F.T.-A. All Share Dividends

Geographical Distribution of Investments: North America 15%, Australia 2.5%, Far East 2.5%, Other Countries 4%

A member of the Touche, Remnant Management Group. Total funds under Group Management exceed £900 million.

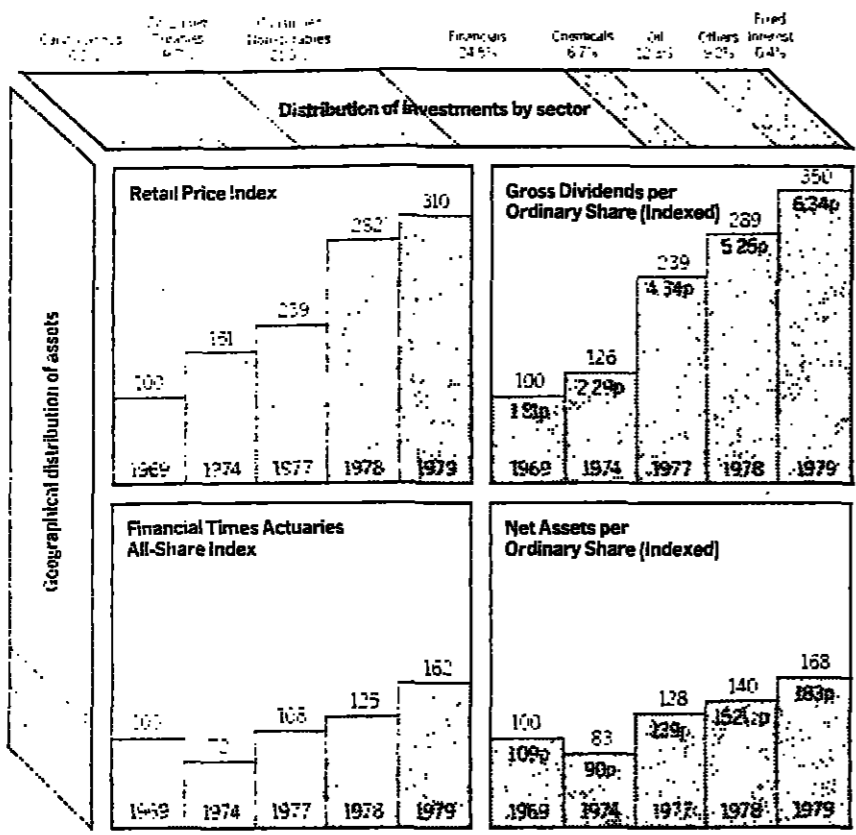
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Scottish Northern Investment Trust Limited. SUMMARY OF RESULTS. Year to 31 March 1979. Investments at Valuation: £66,608,823. Total Assets less Current Liabilities: £64,181,825.

EUROPEAN OPTIONS EXCHANGE. Series AKZ C F.27.50 Vol. 1.70 Last 1.70. Series AKZ P F.30.50 Vol. 55.00 Last 55.00.

The Trust Union, Limited. Total Assets at 31st March 1979: £41.9 million. Net Assets per Ordinary Share: 100, 105, 116, 123, 172.2p. F.T.-A. All Share Index: 100, 116, 108, 125, 269.3.

# Continental Union Trust Company Limited



## Total Assets at 31st March 1979: £34 million.

The past year has been a remarkable one by dramatic events in the Indian subcontinent and important economic decisions. The economic features of the year have been the strength of sterling brought about almost entirely by North Sea oil and by the weakness of the U.S. dollar. Unfortunately there has been no progress in the solution of the basic problems. The relatively satisfactory level of taxation on all incomes still a sensitive and discouraging

extra effort. The frightening annual increase in the National Debt and the enormous amount required to service that debt has profound and serious implications for the national economy. The return of industrial confidence will not be achieved while the Government continues to pre-empt such a large proportion of the nation's resources.

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## CONTRACTS £8m for Cable and Wireless

A contract worth £8m has been won by CABLE AND WIRELESS for supply of a communications system powered by solar energy for an oilfield in the Middle East. Cable and Wireless will be responsible for the design, commissioning, installation and management of communications for Petroleum Development, Oman, which is building an 800-kilometre oil pipeline.

A total of 22 line-of-sight microwave towers, some up to 100 metres high, are being built to link the Marmul oilfield with Muscat on the coast. All intermediate towers will carry solar panels in addition to communications equipment. The solar system, valued at £100,000, is being manufactured by Solar of the U.S. and assembled in Britain by Solarpak.

**HARGREAVES CONSTRUCTION AND PLANT (Northern)** has won a £700,000 contract for the construction of five factories with all services and service areas for Arclife Development Corporation at Newton Aycliffe, County Durham. The factories will be single storied blocks of three and two, incorporating a two-storey office block. Factory construction will involve steel frames with brick and block external walls and insulated metal cladding above to parapet level.

**VICKERS NUCLEAR**, Swindon, has an order worth about £500,000 for equipment for the Dungeness B advanced gas cooled reactor, to supply spring coils, used on fuel elements for the core of the nuclear reactor.

A contract worth £427,000 for development of a system to lessen the workload borne by air traffic controllers, has been awarded to LOCKHEED ELECTRONICS COMPANY of the U.S. by the Federal Aviation Authority.

A £337,000 contract has been awarded to LESSER DESIGN AND BUILD for work at the F. W. Woolworth store, High

Street, Epping. The existing building will be stripped to the basic structure, and the new layout will include administrative offices on the upper floors. The ground (sales) floor will be enlarged to 977 sq metres by construction of a single-storey extension.

**PREECE CARDEW AND RIDER** has been awarded a £300,000 contract by the Ministry of Posts, Telephones and Telegraphs to supervise a five-fold increase in capacity of the backbone telecommunications system linking Damman, Riyadh and Jeddah in Saudi Arabia.

**HUMPHREYS AND GLASGOW SERVICES** has been awarded a contract worth more than £250,000 by Higgs and Hill Northern for the installation of mechanical engineering services in a new automated warehouse in Sweet Street, Leeds, for Kay and Co.

**SPL INTERNATIONAL'S** industrial division has been awarded a £250,000 contract by ICI Fibres for a process management turnkey system for the company's Gloucester works.

Work has started on two advance factories of 5,000 square feet each for the Development Commission at Brampton, Cumbria. A contract worth about £184,000 has been awarded to BORDER ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS, Whitehaven. The premises should be ready for occupation in January.

**BICC's** cable support division has received an initial order valued at HK\$1.5m (£146,000) from Vantrunk Lion, Singapore. The contract is for the supply of its "Leprack" cable support system for installation in the 3.73 km length of the Aberdeen road tunnels in Hong Kong.

**EATON'S** materials handling division has won a contract worth £135,000 to supply 10 rider electric fork trucks to Cereza Packaging, a subsidiary of Kellogg Company of Great Bri-

tain. The 4,000 lb capacity Yale trucks will operate in a new £5m print and packaging plant at Irlam, Manchester, due to open in October.

Following supply of a pilot paint plant a year ago, **CARRIER ENGINEERING COMPANY** is providing over £100,000 worth of finishing plant for Stonefield Vehicles, Scottish manufacturers of four-wheel drive trucks. The plant at Cumnock, Ayrshire, comprises two separate painting lines, one for cabs and chassis, the other is for body panels and is part of an expansion programme.

Rapid tool re-setting in minutes rather than hours is a feature of two coil slitting machines being built by **TI BROOKES** for Coopers Mechanical Joints, Slough. Comprising an ancillary equipment to the machines have threaded cutter shafts, special locking rings and a digital readout system to indicate distances between cutters.

**INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER** has won a £300,000 order to supply Bruin System AB of Sweden with 120 international transmission units.

**SIMON-CROFTSHAW** of Long Melford, Sudbury, Suffolk (A Simon Engineering company) has received a £500,000 contract from Courtauld's Engineering, Coventry, for a solvent recovery plant. The contract involves the design, manufacture, supply, erection and commissioning of a plant to recover acetone used in the manufacture of acetate yarns and plastics by British Celanese at Spondon, Derby. Completion is due next March.

**LINK ELECTRONICS** has been awarded a £1.5m contract for three more colour TV mobile control rooms for the BBC. Each outside broadcast unit can operate eight colour cameras as well as up to four remote inputs. These new generation units have been designed to provide the backbone of the BBC's mobile control feet for the next 12 years.

## Plessey wins £3.2m orders

The Post Office has placed orders worth nearly £1.7m with **PLESSEY COMMUNICATIONS AND DATA SYSTEMS**, Nottingham, for telephone apparatus and switchboards. Included in the orders are: four-standing cord-type private exchange exchanges, using lamp signalling on all circuits, with a capacity of 40 exchange lines plus 180 extensions; telephone handsets with built-in amplifiers for use in noisy surroundings or by the hard-of-hearing and box connection units for use in house exchange systems providing up to 10 stations with two external lines.

**PLESSEY AVIONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS (PA and C)** has won tenders for the supply of an ancillary equipment to the Ministry of Defence for the Clansman radio system. The contracts, worth over £1.5m, include orders for about 4,000 charging units.

**COSELEY BUILDINGS** has been awarded a contract worth more than £1m for erection of steel works for the new American Detonator car plant at Dunmurry, Belfast.

**TOWCO GRATTE** has won contracts worth £985,000. For European Petries, work involves the design and construction of the mechanical and electrical services for a refurbishment at Henegave Lane, EC3 valued at £410,000. Other orders comprise a contract worth £365,000 for the installation of building services for Spillers at New Malden and the provision of mechanical services costing £190,000 for Revlon International's headquarters in Brook Street.

The Port of Tyne Authority has awarded a £300,000 contract to **WILLIAM T. WALLACE AND SON** to provide 25,000 sq m of paved areas for roll-on, roll-off traffic and passenger cars at its North Shields ferry terminal.

**MOTOR PANELS (COVENTRY)** has won an initial contract worth £30,000 to supply Dutch truck manufacturer Floor with 200 standard cabs for its new heavy duty tractor unit. The new

Scyliner turbo-powered 450 bhp vehicle has been designed for dockside operation and features an automatic transmission power steering and parabolic springs.

A contract for deck machinery worth about £175,000 has been placed with **K. AND L. MARINE EQUIPMENT**, a member of the Sunderland Shipbuilding and Engineering Group. The machinery is for four naval twin-screw tractor tugs which Richard Dunston (Hessle) is to build for the Ministry of Defence.

**ACOUSTICS AND ENVIRONMENTRICS** has been awarded a contract worth around £5,000 for the supply of heat recovery equipment to the island of Gibraltar. The order was placed by the Department of the Environment (Gibraltar).

**BALFOUR BEATTY CONSTRUCTION** a member of the Balfour Beatty Group of BICC, has awarded a £2.5m contract by Reads, a subsidiary of the American Can Company, for the design and construction of a factory to be built at Runcorn Cheshire, to produce two-piece cans for the drinks industry.

**INGERSOLL ENGINEERING PROJECTS** has won a contract worth around £1.75m from Jaguar Rover, Triumph for engineering design, project management, procurement and commissioning services in respect of the new Land Rover diesel and petrol engine production and expansion programme.

**JAMES SCOTT (ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS)**, a subsidiary of James Scott Engineering Group has been awarded a £650,000 electrical installation contract for Phase 1 of the Chester District General Hospital. The contract is for the complete electrical installation of the 160-bed unit including all lighting and power the low voltage cabling distribution, main switchboards, stand by diesel generating sets, canteen lighting, plant alarm system, radio and television distribution systems, the nurse call and medical gas and fire systems

## Ultramar Company Limited

# Record results for first quarter of 1979.

Our results for the first quarter of 1979 were excellent and easily a record for the Group. Operating profit before taxation for the first quarter amounts to £12,199,000 compared with £9,643,000 for the corresponding quarter of 1978. Operating profit after taxation comes to £6,816,000 for the quarter, compared with £3,869,000 for the first quarter of 1978. Last year we had a large non-cash deduction (£2,483,000) from our operating profit because of adverse foreign exchange fluctuations. This year the situation is different and we have an addition of £2,302,000 to our first quarter profit, giving us net earnings attributable to Ordinary Shareholders of £8,745,000.

I should mention that these results are arrived at on the basis of the new Accounting Standard, SSAP 15 relating to deferred taxation. This new Standard 15 came into effect on 1st January 1979. Applied to our first quarter results it eliminates £775,000 of deferred taxation, mainly on Canadian profits, because we cannot see that taxation becoming payable.

Last year our profits were largely due to the Indonesian operations. In the first quarter of 1979 there has been a significant improvement in our Canadian and other operations, and I am glad to say this improvement has continued since the end of the quarter. Though the Indonesian operations now contribute a smaller proportion of our group profits - being less than 40% of our total group profits after taxation for the first quarter - they continue to be a very important part of our business. The Badak LNG Plant is operating at near capacity. Gas production from the Badak field serves as the primary supply for this plant. It now appears that in 1979 there will be additional shipments of LNG from the Badak Plant over those previously scheduled, and of course at higher prices. In the nearby Nilam field, four rigs are drilling and have added substantially to gas reserves. Negotiations are in progress for the expansion of the Badak LNG Plant.

There have been serious disruptions and restrictions of crude oil output by producing nations. We have contracted for crude oil supplies from alternative sources to help offset the loss of crude from Iran and other countries.

The Quebec Refinery recently had some crude oil supply problems but still averaged over 75,000 barrels per day throughput during the first four months of 1979. After completing its annual maintenance turnaround, the Quebec Refinery is expected in the next few days to resume normal operations for the rest of the year. The Newfoundland and California Refineries operated at close to capacity during the first quarter.

Sales of petroleum products in Canada were at record levels with Canadian Fuel Marketers contributing over 100,000 barrels per day in the first quarter. There is a trend in Canada of rising prices for gasolines, heating oils and heavy fuel oils, and this has helped profit margins of our Canadian marketing companies.

We have entered an era where oil, gas, and energy in general, is in short supply and expensive. It is hazardous to predict results far down the road, but we have built a broad based business which has grown stronger year by year. Our management is well geared to adapt to the changing oil world.

We expect 1979 to be a record year. I have told you in my Statement in the Annual Report that we shall in November pay an interim dividend of 5p (net) per share on the Ordinary Shares and that we expect to recommend at next year's Annual General Meeting a final dividend of the same amount.

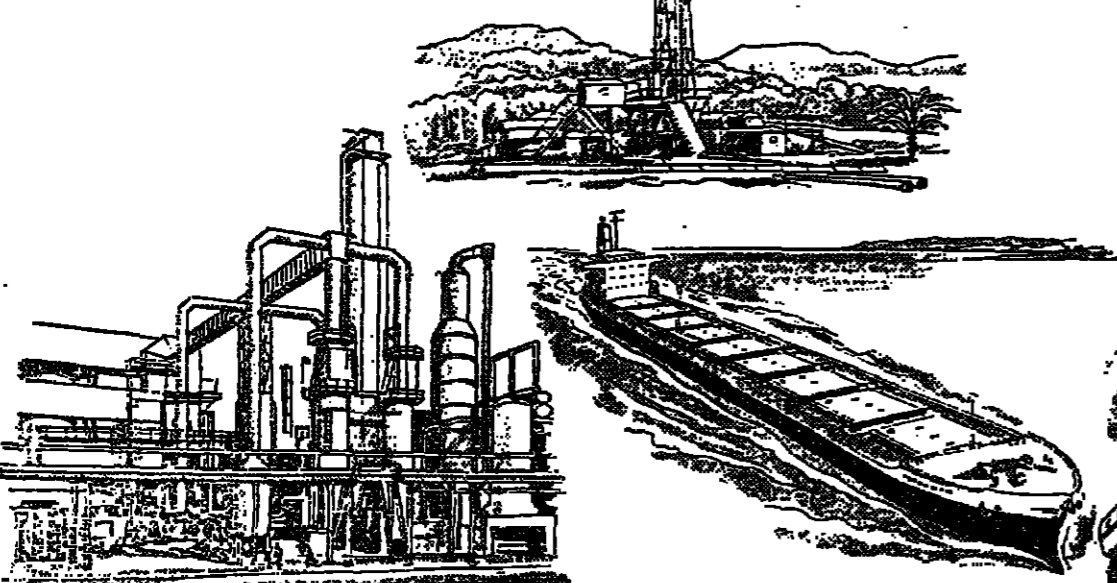
Campbell Nelson  
Chairman

### Group Results for the Quarter to 31st March 1979

	First Quarter 1979	First Quarter 1978 (Note 5)	Year 1978 (Note 5)
<b>Consolidated Profit and Loss Account</b>			
Sales	£200,802	£194,330	£595,133
Profit on trading	15,816	12,782	50,237
Amortisation, depreciation, depletion and amounts written off	3,617	3,149	12,451
Operating profit before taxation	12,199	9,643	37,786
Taxation on operating profit			
Current	2,862	3,131	13,226
Deferred	2,521	2,643	9,513
	5,383	5,774	22,739
Operating profit after taxation	6,816	3,869	15,047
Foreign exchange fluctuations - Profit/(Loss)	2,302	(2,483)	(6,466)
Profit after taxation and foreign exchange fluctuations	9,118	1,386	9,578
Deduct: Convertible Redeemable Preferred Shares dividend	262	285	1,050
Advance Corporation Tax written off	111	138	808
	373	401	1,858
Earnings attributable to Ordinary Shareholders	£8,745	£ 985	£ 7,720
Cash flow from operations	£11,016	£6,783	£ 31,632
Earnings per Ordinary Share (before foreign exchange fluctuations)			
Basic	15.4p	8.3p	31.6p
Fully diluted	13.7p	7.8p	30.3p

	First Quarter 1979	First Quarter 1978	Notes to Group Results
<b>Consolidated Statement of Source and Application of Funds</b>			
Source of funds	£000	£000	
From operations:			
Operating profit after taxation	6,816	3,869	
Amortisation, depreciation, depletion and amounts written off	3,617	3,149	
Deferred taxation on trading profits	2,521	2,643	
Indonesian debt service equalisation (Note 4)	(1,303)	(2,876)	
Profit on sale of fixed assets	(35)	(2)	
	11,016	6,783	
Cash flow from operations			
From other sources:			
Long term loans raised	88	25,753	
Proceeds on disposal of fixed assets	263	1,420	
Exchange adjustments due to currency realignments	(569)	(654)	
Miscellaneous items	50	134	
	£11,966	£33,436	
Application of funds			
Acquisition of subsidiary companies	3,444	—	
Additions to fixed assets	6,524	4,166	
Capital expenditures	9,968	4,166	
Portion of long-term debt now due in one year	2,198	1,043	
Convertible Redeemable Preferred Shares dividend including Advance Corporation Tax (£129,000 (1978) £136,000) (Decrease)/Increase in working capital	391	401	
	(569)	27,826	
	£11,966	£33,436	
Working capital at 31st March 1979	£22,700	£37,136	
Long-term loans at 31st March 1979	£85,087	£81,765	

	First Quarter 1979	First Quarter 1978	Note
<b>Operating Results</b>			
Sales of oil (barrels per day)	280,900	198,300	
Oil refined (barrels per day)	105,700	103,800	
Oil produced (barrels per day)	9,200	9,600	
Gas produced (thousands of cubic feet per day)	171,800	174,500	
Gross wells drilled	5	7	
Oil and gas wells completed (in which the Group has varying interests)	5	3	



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BOOKS

Solving riddles of war-time intelligence

ZARA STEINER

Intelligence in the Second World War by F. H. Hinsley with E. E. Thomas, F. G. Ransom, R. C. Knight and Majesty's Stationery Office £10.00, 601 pages

abroad. Professor Hinsley also underlines the contribution made by R. V. Jones in penetrating the navigational aids used by the German Air Force and the development of counter-measures which made the Blitz so costly to the Germans and helped turn the balance in the Battle of Britain.

There is a superb analysis of the intelligence background to the Coventry Raid which should settle the much debated issue raised by the failure to predict Coventry as the target of the German "Moonlight Sonata" operation. Useful appendices, including a translation of the famous Oslo Report giving the first real information about technological and scientific advances, assist the reader in grasping some of the more technical aspects of intelligence data.

The great value and interest of this chronological survey apart from the actual information which it contains, lies in the authors' judgments, judicious but unequivocal. It is made perfectly clear that Enigma intelligence played a central role both in the Battle of Britain and in the Battle of the Atlantic; it also turned the German invasion of Crete into a Pyrrhic victory for the occupiers. Obviously, much depended on the type of intelligence available, the speed with which it was deciphered, and the quality of the deductions made, and the ability to put the information in the hands of the users at the right time. There remains the ques-

tion whether the latter can act on the intelligence and convert it into an operational asset. In the absence of Enigma-type intelligence, for instance, the British made very bad mistakes both in their estimates of German production figures and in their predictions of a German economic failure during 1941-1942.

Even cryptanalysis gave answers only to certain kinds of questions. It enabled the government to predict the "target for tonight," the numbers and probable positions of U-boats and even the projected dates and places of attacks in North Africa. But it could not anticipate Rommel's surprise advance into Cyrenaica nor reveal the superiority in the quality of his equipment which, along with his excellent field intelligence, gave the Germans the edge in this phase of the desert war. Nor did a great variety of intelligence information reveal the broader aims which governed Hitler's choice of options.

It was not until the middle of May 1941 that the intelligence community came to believe that Germany intended to turn on Russia; on June 12 the Joint Intelligence Sub-Committee produced a conclusive warning. There were many reasons for its earlier indecision but crucial to this intelligence failure was the firm conviction that Hitler would settle with Britain first by bombing and invasion, then through an attack in the Balkans and in the Mediterranean. The mis-reading of many signals both with regard

to the Balkan campaign and troop movements in Europe proceeded from this basic but false preconception. Like the analysis of the Coventry raid, the Barbarossa chapters represent a masterly reconstruction of the intelligence puzzle.

There are no heroes or villains in this book. Few individuals are actually named—Churchill and Lindemann (both of whom came out exceedingly well), Winterbotham, Jones and F. S. Cotton, one of the pioneers in the development of the SIS Air Photographic Unit, are the exceptions. This is a story about organisations, about "C" (head of the secret service) and A-54 but they are not named. This impersonal approach, which in part makes the study possible, obviously reduces the dramatic quality of the narrative. Moreover, a number of intelligence organisations are only occasionally mentioned (SIS and SOE). Presumably far more will have to be said about other intelligence-gathering bodies in the second and third volumes.

We are really given a picture of the intelligence structure from the top. Professor Hinsley leads one through a complex and tangled administrative story punctuated by resistance on the part of the three service ministries and Foreign Office to the evolution of an all-powerful JIC and its Joint Intelligence Staff. Structural weaknesses, particularly with regard to bringing together various intelligence sources, were difficult to correct when these were used by individual services with particular interests and require-

ments. Distance from the field of operations and deficiencies in field intelligence also delayed the evolution of an efficient organisation.

There are still many unanswered questions. Why was it that the Germans never suspected that the Enigma codes had been broken and how successful were they in penetrating British ciphers? It will become increasingly important to say more about the contributions made by other types of intelligence services and about co-operation or rivalry with friends and allies. An organisational chart, if such is possible, would be of great assistance as would further help in understanding how departments actually operated. Only those active at the time can argue about details (and memory is fallible) but the story that Professor Hinsley tells is so balanced and so clearly constructed that this volume must become the authoritative starting place for all future accounts. Professor Hinsley has carried out his brief superbly well.

M-I-9 is one of the departments Professor Hinsley just mentions. This book by two ex-escapers (one, the historian of the SOE) is full of larger-than-life characters and extraordinary feats ranging from the tragic to the comic. M-I-9 was the organisation which encouraged men to consider escape and subsequently provided POWs and evaders with the maps, tools, money and escape routes which they needed. It was, in addition, an intelligence group gathering

material from prison camps and returning escapees though presumably such information was only of limited value. These were a very special group of men; only some 23,000, about 0.15 per cent of the total number of British prisoners of war escaped, and only about half this number are counted among the evaders (those never captured). Special, too, were the many foreigners, an increasing number as the war progressed, who risked far more than those they aided set up the escape routes essential for success. As the authors show, the small group at Camp 20, Beconsfield (Wilton Park) around Norman Crockett, the brilliant head of M-I-9 were as unconventional and inventive as the men they encouraged. In particular, there was Christopher Hulton, always in trouble with the authorities but the resourceful designer and adapter of the many gadgets and tools which enabled men to break out of camps and evade their pursuers. Each of these individuals, whether at Beconsfield or in the field had his own story and if not all escapees were in the class of Douglas Bader each was exceptional in his own way.

In between engaging vignettes and escape stories we are provided with a mass of information about the organisation and procedures of M-I-9, an interesting chapter on the Asian war, and additional details about the groups set up throughout Europe to move escapees and evaders on their way. This is a hard book to put down.

THE DIRTY AREA by Nicholas Luard. Superior action thriller... has Ambleresque cast and strong double-cross finale. Splendidly inventive... Marvellous action, wonderful atmosphere. HAMISH HAMILTON £5.50

BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Announcements below are pre-paid advertisements. If you require entry in the forthcoming monthly appointments, should be made to the Advertisement Department, Brooker House, 10 Cannon Street, EC4A 3DF. Telephone: 01-248 8000. Fax: 7095.

Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Encyclopedia 1979. M. Sittig. Describes processes for manufacturing 673 major pharmaceuticals. Two important indexes included. ISBN 0-8155-0739-9. Gothard House Publications Ltd. £45.40

The Challenge of Microprocessors. Selected readings for engineering educators. Editors: M. G. Hartley and A. Buckley. Drawing on the experience of the Microprocessor Unit at UMIST, this book concentrates on the problems of what to teach in the microprocessor area and the most effective method of presentation. Manchester University Press £10 approx.

Introduction to Work Study. Third revised edition. This highly successful best-seller is known throughout the world as the best available introduction to the subject. The new edition takes full account of recent advances in work study. ISBN 92-2-101939-X. International Labour Office £2.25

Safety and Health of Migrant Workers. Proceedings of the International Symposium on Safety and Health of Migrant Workers, Casati, Dubrovnik. Occupational Safety and Health Series, No. 41. Contains introductory reports and papers submitted to the Symposium in order to provide an exchange of views, at international level, of the experience gained and research undertaken in many countries. ISBN 92-2-101906-X. International Labour Office £7.50

Safe Use of Pesticides: Guidelines. Occupational Safety and Health Series, No. 38. Second impression. Following consultations with FAO and WHO these guidelines provide general principles followed by more detailed safety requirements for various pesticide application techniques. Finally, medical aspects of pesticides, are considered. ISBN 92-2-101826-1. International Labour Office £2.50

Occupational Cancer: Prevention and Control. Occupational Safety and Health Series, No. 39. Second impression. Based on the chemical industry's experience this document reviews preventive and administrative measures, environmental and biological monitoring, medical surveillance and recording of data. Includes a list of substances presenting carcinogenic hazards. ISBN 92-2-101827-X. International Labour Office £2.50

Safety Problems in the Offshore Petroleum Industry. Second impression. Provides useful information on safety problems encountered in offshore construction, diving and petroleum-related activities. Also reviews available accident statistics and relevant national and international action in this area. ISBN 92-2-101989-6. International Labour Office £3.75

Management Accounting for the Lending Banker. M. A. Pitcher. A senior bank manager explains some modern techniques of assessing the financial health of companies and shows, in this very practical book, how these can help to achieve sound business management. The Institute of Bankers. Cloth: £6.75, plus 50p by post. Paperback: £4.50, plus 50p by post.

Light on Florence the obscure

BY C. P. SNOW

Second Mrs. Hardy by Bert Gittings and Jointon. Heinemann. Educational books. £5.50, 160 pages

Bert Gittings, in his two volumes on Thomas Hardy, Thomas Hardy, The Hardy, has produced a work like a biographical epic. He was lucky in his subject, but then one of a poet's major talents consists in choosing the right subject. Hardy was a great writer, a second wife, but added to her moments of greatness that he was not a great

was not an especially able man either, so far can let ourselves pass and of judgment. He had an assortment of the more shortcomings. He was lively mean. He was, to the modern euphemism, a meaning dubiousness—not about money, but the way he deconstructed his past and the literary record. It was necessary, he had, to have a biography according to his own. The best way, the only

Most people today have forgotten how hard it was in the 19th century for the poor to acquire any kind of education. The lower proletariat usually



Florence Hardy; mild depressive

did not. The strain and effort showed itself slightly higher up, families like Florence's struggling out of the working-class, trying to achieve gentility. Elementary school teachers were part of this new kind of society, and this book gives the best short account of their condition that I have seen. This can be attributed to the joint author, Jo Mantou, who is an authority on these efforts for class and feminine emancipation. It is worth mentioning that some of the most eminent 19th century figures came from precisely Florence's stratum—Dickens, H. G. Wells, D. H. Law-

ART OF THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION

Comp. & Intro. by Art Historian Mikhail Guerman 5/79. Silk. 21 x 27 cm. 429 illus. h/w & col. A fine production. £13.50 p&hp £1. Includes every aspect of the vigorous artistic developments in the early Soviet period 1917-23. Collet's International Bookshop, 129/131, Charing X Rd., London, W.C.2.

TOP SECRET British Intelligence in the Second World War. Volume I (1939 - mid 1941) £10. For the first time, the full and authoritative account of British Intelligence in World War II. HINSD BOOKS

LOONEYHIME CHRISTOPHER LEOPOLD. 'A crackling vision of the lunacy of war.' The Observer. HAMISH HAMILTON £5.50

SPENSE ON MACMILLAN. Bertie Denham The Man Who Lost His Shadow. Laurence Meynell Hooky and the Villainous Chauffeur. Gerald Hammond Dead Game. Michael Underwood Smooth Justice. Patrick Cosgrave The Three Colonels.

Fiction Leaders of men

BY ISOBEL MURRAY

The Elder by Leslie Epstein W. H. Allen. £5.50, 350 pages. Dress Gray by Lucian K. Truscott. Collins. £5.50, 489 pages. Booze by Charles Webb. Gollancz. £4.95, 194 pages.

The Elder in question is an ambiguous Jewish doctor in a Polish city, ambiguous because even before the rise of the Nazis he confuses the reactions of his Jewish neighbours. His sexual activities are scandalous, and regarded with outraged envy; his medical practices are highly dubious, an successful; his life is a series of frauds and universal disapproval, and then his dedication to the sick orphan children results in social re-acceptance and respect. L.C. Trumpleman's ambiguity is at the heart of this book. The plot concerns the full experience of the ghetto, and Trumpleman's appointment as head of the Nazi-imposed Judenrat, the council of Jews set to govern the rest. This appointment highlights the paradoxical nature of the ghetto experience, and forces us to look at it in a new way.

For a start, we come to realise how gradually everything happened, how long it might take to realise that people were sent away for holidays to work-camps would never come back. In fact, the secret of Leslie Epstein's achievement is that he refuses us any final solution to the final solution; he tears away our blanket disapproval of Jewish crimes, as a pre-packaged best-seller, and I think that is what it will be. But let the buyer beware, before he invests money and a great deal of time.

Points in favour: an original choice of setting, West Point Military Academy, and a setting of which the author has personal experience. Dramatic plot, the murder of a homosexual cadet, and the ramifications ensuing when many important people endeavour to cover it up and one cadet determines to discover what happened and see justice done. Yes, one says, reading the lurid, a good read in prospect, and surely before long a film.

But—points against. In brief, Lucian K. Truscott IV demonstrates no ability to control his writing. He tells us far too much about far too many characters, in self-indulgent and often execrable prose. Booze is a short, much quieter book. Written by Charles Webb, author of The Graduate, it is a slow, low-key book about an alcoholic painter, his drinks, and his ladies. The effect is all in the style. Understated, devious, living, protesting, over-precise, the narrator is a "Graduate" twenty years on, with a very recognisable tone of voice and the hallmarks of the essential alcoholic.

In short

The Menace Within by Ursula Curtiss. Macmillan. £4.25, 188 pages.

Warning: if of nervous disposition, don't read this book when alone after dark, or you'll risk a heart attack as severe as the one that struck Mrs. Balsam, depriving her of the power of speech. Amanda, Mrs. Balsam's niece, who spends the night in her aunt's house together with two-year-old Rosie, runs into an unexpected danger that threatens her life. Before the night is over—in the final chapter—tension has been stretched to unbearable limits.

Elizabeth Forbes

Companies and Markets

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

Early irregularity on Wall St.

INVESTMENT DOLLAR PREMIUM
\$2.60 to \$1-31 1/2 (51 1/2%)
Effective \$2.0748-20 1/2 (39 1/2%)

plus were unchanged in the week ended May 23, while the broader based M-2 rose \$1.5bn.
Concern about what type of recession the country appears to be facing continued to be a damper on Stock Market prices.

0.65 to 187.59, making a rise of 2.14 on the week.
CANADA—With the exception of Banks, which eased, all other sectors were higher in active trading yesterday morning.

following good results.
AUSTRALIA Mixed in quieter trading.
Banks quiet. Gold issues little easier. Coals also quiet.

day and the lifting of Oil Price Controls, which began yesterday, seem to be receiving little response from investors.

By 1 pm the Dow Jones Industrial Average was off 0.17 to 822.16, making a loss of 14.12 on the week, while the NYSE All Common Index, at 835.99, held unchanged on the day but was down 62 cents on the week.

Foreign stocks eased generally, except Americans and Canadians which were steady and Gold Mines and Oils which firmed.

JOHANNESBURG—Gold shares quietly mixed, with London buying sellers on Financial Rand considerably firmer.

Closing prices and market reports were not available for this edition.

Smithline advanced \$31 to \$437—the Food and Drug Administration Advisory Panel recommended that the company's Antulizer Drug be approved for use in long-term maintenance therapy for certain high risk patients.

Exports-Orientated Electricals, Vehicles and Cameras fell, following sharp increase in U.S. trade deficit for April. But Chips also fell on oil price increases by Iran and Saudi Arabia.

Industrials quietly mixed, reflecting fears of anticipated stringent fuel curbs.

NEW YORK - DOW JONES

Table with columns for dates (May 31, May 30, May 29, May 28, May 27, May 26, May 25) and values for Industrial, Transport, Utilities, and Trading vol.

Indices

Table with columns for indices (NYSE All Common, S&P 500, Dow Jones Industrial Average) and values for May 31, May 30, May 29, May 28, May 27, May 26, May 25.

STANDARD AND POORS

Table with columns for dates (May 31, May 30, May 29, May 28, May 27, May 26, May 25) and values for Industrial, Transport, Utilities, and Trading vol.

THURSDAY'S ACTIVE STOCKS

Table with columns for stock names (W. E. Heller, Merrill Lynch, Transamerica) and values for Price, Change, and Volume.

NEW YORK Stock

Table with columns for stock names (Abbott Labs, AM International, Aetna Life & Cas) and values for Price, Change, and Volume.

Stock

Table with columns for stock names (Control Data, Cooper Industries, Corning Glass) and values for Price, Change, and Volume.

Stock

Table with columns for stock names (Reylon, Reynolds Metals, Agnico Agri) and values for Price, Change, and Volume.

F.T. CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 3,985

A prize of £5 will be given to each of the senders of the first three correct solutions opened. Solutions must be received by next Thursday, marked Crossword in the top left-hand corner of the envelope, and addressed to the Financial Times, 10 Cannon Street, London, EC4P 4BY.

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-28.

- 1 Going over advance aid to house purchaser (8, 4)
2 Unfinished part of army way of life (7)
3 Vehicle AA or TUC damaged (7)
4 Yorkshire flower with right ventrifier (5)
5 European prince gets unusual salvo (4, 4)
6 Frankish hothard displays in steel process (4, 6)
7 Ignore correction to cowboy hat when son leaves (4)
8 Nonsense to ask for silence (4)
9 Drink to vital part of courage (5, 5)
10 Little girl with full figure unfitted for opening in square (5, 3)
11 Not an established church member for time being (5)
12 A piano trim left out of habit (7)
13 Party about to do away with cooking pan (7)
14 She was one of his subjects (5, 7)

- 15 Free to sit out—a rug might be arranged (10)
16 Surpass party abroad (5)
17 Ornament on cheek allowed of life (7)
18 The best twin sailors used in cooking (5, 2, 6)
19 Agreement unlikely to lead to general peace (7, 6)
20 Sailor goes over wine store for seasoning container (4, 6)
21 Third-class capital punishment in state of flux (8)
22 Keeper on wooden legs (7)
23 Like a ring to cancel a right (7)
24 Had the nerve to catch American lawyer blushing (5)
25 Like one to go over a region of the world (4)

- 26 A piano trim left out of habit (7)
27 Party about to do away with cooking pan (7)
28 She was one of his subjects (5, 7)

SOLUTION AND WINNERS OF PUZZLE No. 3,981

Following are the winners of last Saturday's prize puzzle.
Mr. J. Hesketh, 2 Florida Cottages, St. Margaret's-at-Cliffe, Dover, Kent.
Mrs. H. E. Timms, 12a Beverley Court, Kenton Lane, Kenton, Harrow, Middx HA3 8U9.
Mr. P. Trow, 31 Brackenhurst Road, London N2.

RACING BY DOMINIC WIGAN

Jubilee has chance to show true ability

THE QUEEN'S 1000 Guineas runner-up, Jubilee, who proved such a disappointment when going down by six lengths to Buzz Kashi in York's Derwent Handicap on May 17, takes on the Warwickshire in today's Ultramar International Fillies Stakes at Kempton.

- 1.45—Charlotte's Choice
2.15—Jubilee\*\*
2.15—Overtrick
3.15—Road to Glory
3.45—Heroic Air
4.15—Kris

- 1.45—Dalkota\*\*
2.15—Revolver\*
2.45—Moybrook

- 1.45—Dalkota\*\*
2.15—Revolver\*
2.45—Moybrook

Table with columns for race names (KEMPTON, THIRSK) and values for Odds, Favorites, and other details.

GERMANY AUSTRALIA PARIS STOCKHOLM

Large table of international stock market data for Germany, Australia, Paris, Stockholm, Copenhagen, Vienna, and Johannesburg.

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Furness Withy investors to receive appeal

BY JOHN MOORE

KCA International and Euro-canadian Shipbuilding... company to the benefit of their own respective interests.

The move follows the appeal by Furness to its shareholders that a proposal by Mr. Paul Bristol, KCA chairman, that he be appointed a director of the company should be rejected.

Furness has also urged its shareholders to reject Mr. Bristol's suggestion that KCA and Furness's joint service interests should merge...

Furness said that Mr. Frank Narby, chief executive of Euro-canadian, and Mr. Bristol are trying to use their holdings of 10 per cent and 12.13 per cent respectively in the group...

O'Neill criticises sale of U.S. arms to RUC

A PROPOSED U.S. sale of small arms to the Royal Ulster Constabulary has been criticised by Mr. Thomas "Tip" O'Neill, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

In a statement on Thursday he said that the sale would be viewed as support for a particular faction in Northern Ireland.

His comments were rebutted yesterday by Mr. Humphrey Atkins, Northern Ireland Secretary, who observed that the RUC was a legally constituted police force required to equip itself to defend the Force and the community...

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Controversy

"Despite recent reforms, the past record of the Royal Ulster Constabulary is not one of impartiality in maintaining law and order and the sale will therefore be viewed by many here as U.S. government support for a particular faction."

Mr. Atkins, in a statement, regretted that Mr. O'Neill had involved the RUC in controversy. The RUC, like all UK police services, was required to carry out its duties on behalf of the whole community within the law with impartiality.

"I very much regret that a body of men and women who have borne so much of the brunt of the terrorist campaign during the past 10 years, including the murder of over 120 of its members and serious injury to many others, should be made the subject of controversy over the provision of modern weapons to defend the community and themselves from attack by mindless assassins."

Earlier this year Mr. O'Neill aroused controversy when he criticised Britain's handling of Northern Ireland and accused British politicians of "lacking initiative."

Impartial

The Northern Ireland Police Authority said: "In view of the remarks that have been made about this purchase, the Police Authority reject in the strongest possible terms any suggestion that the RUC act in other than an impartial manner."

"The authority was well aware of the heavy sacrifices in life and limb that members of the RUC had made in their dedicated efforts to eliminate terrorism on behalf of the entire community."

It confirmed that it had recently been supplied with substantial quantities of rifles and revolvers from the U.S. "These particular weapons are considered to be the most appropriate to the present needs of the police in Northern Ireland."

Ford vans will cost 7.4% more

PRICES of Ford Commercial Vehicles are to rise today by an average of 7.4 per cent, a day after the group announced a 4.8 per cent rise for cars.

The Fiesta 1100 L van will cost £2,405 (up from £2,291); Transit 100 van £3,396 (£3,133); D-Series 2070, £7,299 (£7,756) and the Transcontinental HA 427 articulated unit £21,679 (£23,504).

Maudling left £140,700

Mr. Reginald Maudling, the former Home Secretary, who died in February, left £140,690 gross, £77,694 net, in his will, published yesterday.

Mr. Maudling, who was 61, died after an internal haemorrhage. He left his property to his wife, Beryl, a former ballet dancer.

He resigned as Home Secretary over the Poulson affair. A Commons Select Committee cleared Mr. Maudling of complicity and corruption, but said he should have declared an interest.

BRITISH FUNDS (401)

Table listing various British funds with columns for fund names and values.

INTL BANK (-)

Table listing international bank shares and their values.

CORPORATIONS (16)

Table listing various corporations and their values.

SHORT DATED BONDS

Table listing short dated bonds and their values.

PUBLIC BONDS (11)

Table listing public bonds and their values.

COMMONWEALTH (11)

Table listing commonwealth bonds and their values.

FOREIGN STOCKS (2)

Table listing foreign stocks and their values.

COUPONS PAYABLE IN LONDON

Table listing coupons payable in London.

BANKS (180)

Table listing various banks and their values.

SINGAPORE

Table listing various companies in Singapore.

Stock Exchange dealings

Table showing stock exchange dealings for Thursday, May 31, Friday, May 2, Thursday, May 24, and Wednesday, May 23.

The list below gives the prices at which bargains were done by members of the Stock Exchange and recorded in last Thursday's Stock Exchange Daily Official List. For these securities and markets the following day's market is the latest marking recorded during the previous four business days...

Members are not obliged to mark bargains, except in special cases, and the last, therefore, be regarded as a complete record of prices at which business has been done. Bargains are recorded in the Official List up to the close of business on Thursday's date. No indication is available as to whether a bargain represents a profit or a loss. Markings are not necessarily in round numbers, and only one bargain in any one security at any one price is recorded.

Bargains at Special Prices. A Bargain done with or between non-members, or a bargain done previous day, or a bargain done with members of a recognised stock exchange, or a bargain done in a market other than the London market, or a bargain done in a market other than the London market, or a bargain done in a market other than the London market...

BREWERS (119)

Table listing various breweries and their values.

COMMERCIAL (2,612)

Table listing various commercial companies and their values.

C-D

Table listing various companies under C-D category.

C-E

Table listing various companies under C-E category.

C-F

Table listing various companies under C-F category.

C-G

Table listing various companies under C-G category.

C-H

Table listing various companies under C-H category.

C-I

Table listing various companies under C-I category.

Table listing various companies and their values.

J-K

Table listing various companies under J-K category.

L-M

Table listing various companies under L-M category.

N-O

Table listing various companies under N-O category.

P-Q

Table listing various companies under P-Q category.

R-S

Table listing various companies under R-S category.

T-U

Table listing various companies under T-U category.

V-W

Table listing various companies under V-W category.

X-Y

Table listing various companies under X-Y category.

Z

Table listing various companies under Z category.

Compromise agreed on televised soccer

BY ARTHUR SANDLES

ENGLISH FOOTBALL League chairmen have given unenthusiastic agreement to a £10m four-year deal under which television soccer coverage will be shared between BBC and ITV.

This is the final stage of the deal which the Television exclusive agreement with the League restricting soccer television to ITV.

The League vote of 34 to 18 accepts a deal which gives the clubs a basic £500,000 each for the next five years. Under the scheme the BBC loses its domination of Saturday evening soccer with its Match of the Day programme.

Instead the BBC has accepted the principle of alternating coverage with ITV. This same principle will be applied to the 1982 World Cup and the 1980 European championships. There

First changes in State shipbuilding industry

BY IAN HARGREAVES, SHIPPING CORRESPONDENT

THE GOVERNMENT made its first official changes yesterday in the nationalised shipbuilding industry.

Sir Keith Joseph, the Industry Secretary, announced the appointment of two heads of British Shipbuilders' subsidiaries who will join the State group's main Board as part-time members.

They are Mr. John Steele, chairman of Swan Hunter, and Mr. John Wright, non-executive chairman of Hall Russell of Aberdeen.

They come to the Board as replacements for Mr. Ross

UK plea to end curbs on European haulage

BY IAN HARGREAVES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

A STRONG British Government appeal to end transit permit restrictions on UK road hauliers in Europe came yesterday from Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Transport Under-Secretary.

Mr. Clarke told a council meeting of the European Conference of Ministers of Transport in Belgrade that there was

an urgent need for a more liberal approach to freight problems in Europe.

Mr. Clarke supported a five-point initiative from the council to tackle transit problems, but said measures to lessen the environmental impact of lorries should be combined with moves to ease restrictions on hauliers in the interests of economic growth.

At present, British hauliers crossing countries like France and Germany face a tightly controlled permit system. As a result, goods often travel with foreign hauliers or by railway.

The conference's five-point plan is:

- 1 to remove discrimination between transit traffic and other international traffic
2 to develop a system of allocating costs of road wear to road users
3 to encourage and develop lorry-on-board-train systems
4 to encourage the use of railways and waterways
5 to encourage all current restrictions on transit freight.

The ECMT is a standing conference of European ministers of transport designed to create co-operation on a basis wider than the EEC.

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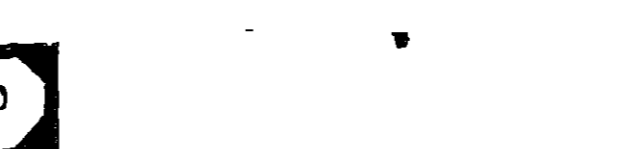


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Textual analysis of the UK money market, including interest rates and Treasury bill information.

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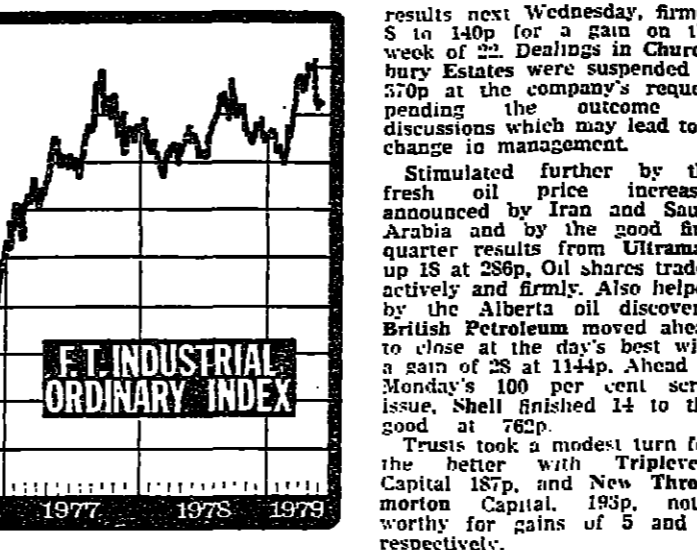
Companies and Markets

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Equity leaders often unchanged after promising start Short Gilts improve marginally but Golds subdued

Account Dealing Dates... Options... After promising in the first hour or so of business yesterday to extend the previous day's recovery movement, leading shares slowly began to shed their gains...

the day's highest at 11 am, when it was 4.4 up to a close of 0.1 down on balance at 513.5. This represents a rally of 7.1 on the week following the previous three-week drop of 52.2 from its May 4 record high of 588.6.



improved 2 for a two-day gain of 6 at 22p. Shoes continued to be featured by Style which gained another 5 making a speculative rise of 29 on the week to 151p on bid hopes. Allebone were wanted late at 25 1/2 up 2.

FINANCIAL TIMES STOCK INDICES table with columns for various indices like Government Secs, Fixed Interest, Industrial, Gold Mines, etc., and rows for different dates.

HIGHS AND LOWS table showing price ranges for various stock categories like Govt. Secs, Fixed Int., Ind. Ord., Gold Mines, etc.

NEW HIGHS AND LOWS FOR 1979 table listing specific stock names and their price movements.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS table with columns for Option, Expiry, Closing, Offer, Vol., etc., listing various options like BP, Shell, etc.

Raybeck firm... A firm market of late followed a Press suggestion that the group has completed a sale and leaseback agreement worth just over £30m on its Bourne and Hollingsworth property in Oxford Street, Raybeck came in for some fresh speculative attention in Stores and Caterers.

and Thermal Syndicate, 8 higher at 146p; the latter were also helped by take-over suggestions. Speculative support lifted S. Lehor Fobel 5 to 42p, while demand in a thin market ahead of the forthcoming results left Valor up 6 more at 90p. Up 5 the previous day in response to the Chairman's forecast of a substantial increase in sales, Peatos added 4 more to 89p, while persistent buying led to improvements of 10 and 12 respectively in Marshalls Universal 134p, and Espartry 32p. By way of contrast, J. Dykes lost 5 to 44p following disappointing results and Kelsey Industries fell 17 to 185p after a reappraisal of the interim figures. Against the quiet trend in the leaders, Reed International added 8 more to 193p, after 196p, on consideration of the group's dividend potential. Unilever lost 8 to 600p.

international oil prices and the importance of coal as an alternative source of energy prompted a strong Amcoal, which hardened 7 to a high of £10. Metals Exploration were a feature in the afternoon's dull Australasian section, strong overnight local buying prompted a mark-up here of 7 1/2 to a peak of 72p.

ACTIVE STOCKS table with columns for Stock, Denomina, Closing, Change, 1979, 1978, listing various active stocks.

RISES AND FALLS table with columns for Yesterday, On the week, listing various stock categories and their performance.

MONTHLY TABLES OF STOCK INDICES table with columns for May, April, Mar., Feb., listing various stock indices.

FT-ACTUARIES SHARE INDICES table with columns for Index No., Day's Change, etc., listing various actuarial share indices.

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RECENT ISSUES table with columns for Issue, Amount, Date, etc., listing various recent stock issues.

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FIXED INTEREST PRICE INDICES table with columns for Issue, Amount, Date, etc., listing various fixed interest price indices.

BASE LENDING RATES table with columns for Bank, Rate, listing various banks and their lending rates.

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Remuneration data usually last day of dealing free of stamp duty. Figures based on prospectus or assumed dividend for 1978. Q.G. = Quoted. T. = Traded. Dividend: cover based on previous year's earnings. F. Dividend and yield based on current year's earnings. A. Allotment letters. U. Unissued. P. Partly-paid. S. Share. W. Warrant. L. Loan. M. Mortgage. N. Note. B. Bond. C. Certificate. D. Deposit. E. Equity. G. Gift. H. Hold. I. Interest. J. Joint. K. Key. L. Loan. M. Mortgage. N. Note. O. Offer. P. Partly-paid. Q. Quoted. R. Right. S. Share. T. Traded. U. Unissued. V. Voucher. W. Warrant. X. X. Y. Yield. Z. Zero.

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AUTHORISED UNIT TRUSTS

Table listing various unit trusts such as 'Murray Johnston U.T. Mgmt. (a)', 'National and Commercial', 'G.T. Unit Managers Ltd.', and 'Murray Johnston U.T. Mgmt. (a)'. Includes columns for fund names, managers, and dates.

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INSURANCE AND PROPERTY BONDS

Table listing insurance and property bond companies such as 'Abbey Life Assurance Co. Ltd.', 'Crown Life Assurance', and 'Lloyds Life Assurance'. Includes details on company names and services.

NOTES: Prices do not include premium charges... Please refer to the prospectus for full details of the fund's investment objectives and risks.



INDUSTRIALS—Continued

Table of industrial stocks including companies like British Petroleum, Shell, and ICI, with columns for stock price, dividends, and other financial metrics.

INSURANCE—Continued

Table of insurance companies such as Lloyds, Norwich Union, and Royal Indemnity, listing their stock prices and financial data.

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Table of property-related stocks and companies, including those in real estate and construction sectors.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS—Cont.

Table of investment trusts offering various asset classes, such as equity, income, and international funds.

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Table of financial and land-related stocks, including banks, insurance, and land development companies.

BRITANNIA INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT advertisement, featuring a portrait of a man and text describing their investment services.

MINES—Continued

Table of mining stocks, including companies like Anglo American, De Beers, and various gold and copper producers.

LEISURE

Table of leisure and entertainment stocks, such as cinema chains and holiday companies.

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT TRADES

Table of motor and aircraft-related stocks, including car manufacturers and aviation companies.

SHIPPING

Table of shipping and maritime stocks, including major shipping lines.

SHOES AND LEATHER

Table of shoe and leather goods stocks, including retail and manufacturing companies.

SOUTH AFRICANS

Table of South African stocks, including mining and industrial companies from that region.

TEXTILES

Table of textile and clothing stocks, including manufacturers and retailers.

TOBACCO

Table of tobacco stocks, including major tobacco companies.

TRUSTS, FINANCE, LAND

Table of trusts, finance, and land-related stocks, including investment trusts and financial institutions.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Table of commercial vehicle stocks, including manufacturers and dealers.

COMPONENTS

Table of component stocks, including parts and accessories manufacturers.

GARAGES AND DISTRIBUTORS

Table of garage and distributor stocks, including service and retail companies.

NEWSPAPERS, PUBLISHERS

Table of newspaper and publishing stocks, including major media companies.

PAPER, PRINTING ADVERTISING

Table of paper, printing, and advertising stocks, including publishers and service providers.

INSURANCE

Table of insurance stocks, including various insurance companies.

DIAMOND AND PLATINUM

Table of diamond and platinum stocks, including mining and trading companies.

CENTRAL AFRICAN

Table of Central African stocks, including mining and industrial companies from the region.

OILS

Table of oil stocks, including major oil companies and refiners.

OVERSEAS TRADERS

Table of overseas trader stocks, including international trading companies.

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Table of rubber and sisal stocks, including plantations and processors.

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Table of tea stocks, including plantations and exporters.

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Table of Indian and Bangladeshi stocks, including various regional companies.

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